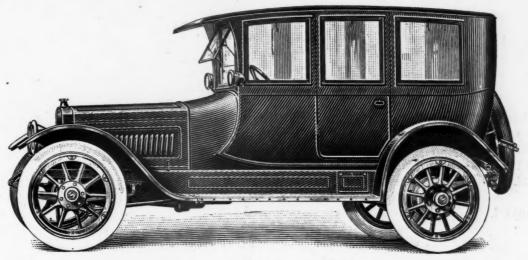
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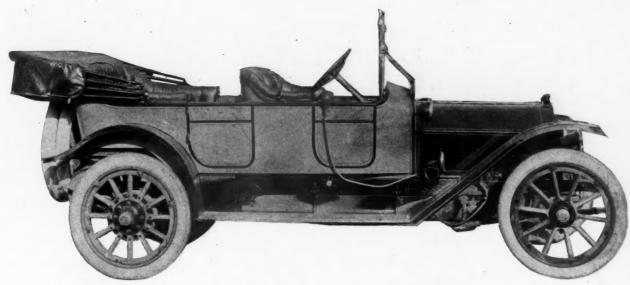
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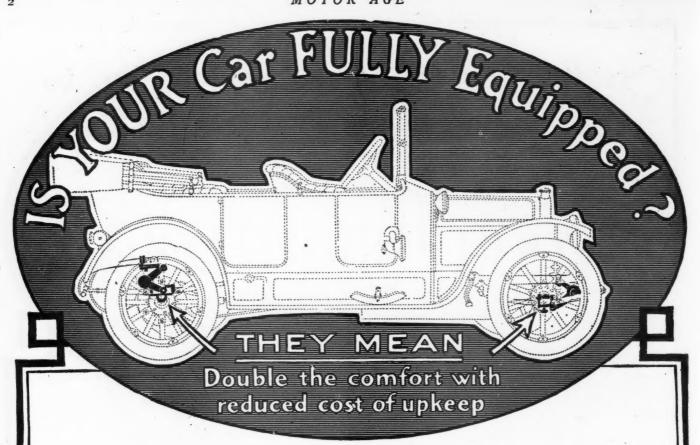
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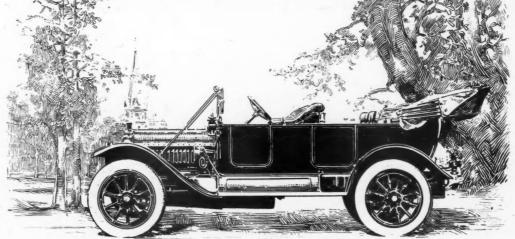
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Progress Proven by Truck Show

Sixty-Five Makes of Commercial Vehicles on View in New York, Twelve of Which Are Newcomers—Dumping Bodies Much in Evidence—Trailers

Also Seen—Left-Hand Drive Gaining Ground



AS TRUCK SHOW LOOKS INSTALLED IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN

N EW YORK, Jan. 20—The second part of New York's thirteenth annual show opened simultaneously at the Madison Square garden and the Grand Central palace at 8 o'clock this evening with sixty-five makes of commercial vehicles on display. The immense amount of work necessary to transform the two great halls from scenes of luxury with gorgeous limousines and other splendid pleasure cars as the objects of attention into those of sterner business with massive trucks occupying the center of the stage was accomplished this year without a hitch, and at the appointed time all exhibits were in

By L. V. Spencer

readiness to receive those who come with the stern purpose of purchasing vehicles for business use. On the opening night it is estimated that about 10,000 persons, representing all lines of trade, visited the two shows and with the auspicious opening this largest of truck exhibitions should prove of greatest value to the industry.

The decorations in both buildings remain unchanged from last week. At the garden commercial cars appear on the ground floor and around the first balcony as well, while the only difference at the

palace is that the trucks occupy only the first floor, none replacing the pleasure cars which were exhibited on the mezzanine floor last week.

Few indeed are the makes of electric vehicles shown. These are all at the palace, the garden being devoted exclusively to displays of gasoline vehicles of all types and sizes. Six electric vehicle manufacturers are in hand and fifty-nine makers of gasoline machines. The electrics which appear are the Atlantic, Baker, Lansden, Ward, Waverley and the General Vehicle makes. The scarcity of electrics at this gathering may be ascribed to the

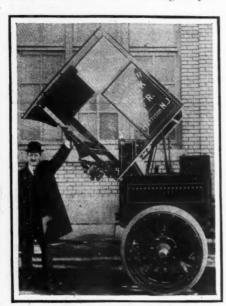
fact that the electric makers held a show of their own some time ago.

A rather striking feature of the exhibits at the garden is the great amount of space which some of the makers have been allotted. In several cases these large exhibits extend nearly the whole length of a side of the building. The Garford cars are spread over half of one side and all the front end of the lower floor. Alco, Autocar, White and Packard also have very large show space. This is rather in contrast to the somewhat cramped quarters allotted to several of the makers appearing at the palace, one or two of whom have room for but a single machine. The Alco exhibit consists of eight cars, the Packard of six, the White of eleven, the Garford of nine and the Autocar of a round dozen.

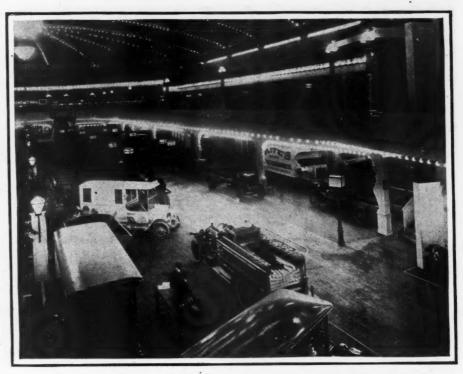
Dozen Newcomers Appear

Twelve makes are exhibited for the first time, among which may be found trucks of all capacities from the small delivery car to the enormous 10-ton proposition. The Studebaker Corporation may be mentioned as one of the last of the larger makers to enter the truck field. Its machines range in capacity from 1 to 6 tons and are of the shaft-driven variety. The makers of Hupmobiles have also entered the list with small delivery machines. The Stewart Corporation, which has for its moving spirits the founders of the present Lippard-Stewart concern, also is exhibiting for the first time, while the Willys utility car, named for J. N. Willys, comes as a surprise from the Gramm factory. Other new makes are the Maccar, Krebs, Hydraulic, Koehler, Standard, B. A. Gramm, Brown and Croce.

Many of the older makers in the field are exhibiting one or more new models. The tendency seems to be to fill up gaps in the lines so the maker can offer the buyer machines of capacities to fill all the needs of his business. The large depart-



Lauth-Jurgens with driver's cab tilting forward to give motor accessibility



MAIN AISLE OF THE GARDEN, LOOKING WEST

ment store, for instance, demands light delivery trucks for city work, heavier trucks for more bulky delivery, such as furniture, and still larger sizes for transporting goods to sub-station distributing points. Motor car makers are alive to this situation and are endeavoring to meet all these needs so that when the large user places his order it may be for machines of all one make. There is a distinct advantage in this in that the repair men become acquainted with one particular design and are able to more intelligently make repairs than they would be were there several different makes and designs on which they had to work.

The Buick people appear with two new light delivery models, the Garford has added a 2-ton and a 10-ton model, General Motors has brought out three new types, while Gramm, Kissel, Kelly, Lauth-Juergens, Mack, Mais, Packard, Speedwell, Smith, Sternberg, Studebaker, Universal, Stewart, Bessemer and Blair also may be numbered among those showing new designs.

French Type Displayed

Particular interest attaches to the Latil front wheeldrive truck exhibited by Walter at the garden. This machine, which is entirely a French proposition, has been imported by the Walter people, and although having nothing to do with the manufacture of the particular machine shown, it is the intention of the concern to manufacture this type of truck in this country under royalty.

The Latil machine is a good example of French commercial vehicle practice throughout. The radiator is placed back of the motor, which is of the monobloc type, while the gearset and differential

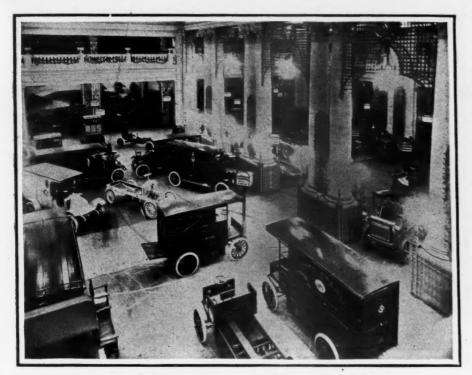


International Harvester with two hinged shelves that give triple floor space

are located underneath. Drive is applied to the front wheels through shafts and spur gears, the wheel gears being fastened rigidly to the front wheels. The shafts are fitted with suitable universal joints.

The tractor proposition has gained some headway within the last year. The Knox people showing a Martin machine of this type capable of hauling a maximum load of 20 tons, while the Garford also is showing a 10-ton machine. Knox is now in a position to furnish these Martin tractors for any hauling capacity between 6 and 20 tons.

Another feature of the show is the Hydraulic truck which makes use of the Manly hydraulic transmission which has been much discussed during the past year. The machine is manufactured by the American La France concern.



VIEW OF MAIN FLOOR OF GRAND CENTRAL PALACE



Front view of Garford, showing driver's cab and protection

Dumping bodies also are very much in evidence, a number of the foremost makers exhibiting them. These appear either as power-operated types or for hand manipulation. Noticeable among the poweroperated type are the Packard, Alco, Locomobile, G. M. C., Mack, White, Pierce and Peerless, while Speedwell, Kissel, Universal, Garford and Knox favor the handoperated body, judging from the exhibits.

Several Trailers Shown

Trailers appear in several of the exhibits at the garden where space will permit. Garford and Knox show these designs in combination with the tractors, while Alco is exhibiting a special unloading body in combination with an unloading device of the truck type. The body is mounted on rollers on the car frame and may be rolled on guides on to the trailer. This undoubtedly is a noteworthy proposition in several lines of business where quick unloading and loading is essential, or in cases where the load must be transported by elevator to an upper floor, and it is undesirable to convey the truck itself to such upper point.

Steel wheels do not appear to be making much headway, only a few makes exhibiting machines so equipped. This seems rather unaccountable inasmuch as the steel wheel is somewhat lighter than the wood type of the same carrying capacity. There seems to be a general impression, however, that the metal wheel tends to greater vibration and has less shock-absorbing qualities. The Locomobile trucks appear with steel wheels as do the A. O. Smith and the Grand Rapids makes. White is exhibiting several models so equipped as well as those with wood wheels.

Speaking from the standpoint of cars on view, the motor under the hood type of design is favored as compared with the type which places the power plant under the seats. Four makers show designs of both varieties, while there are eleven of the underseat construction and twentyseven having the driver's position back of the motor. Notable adherents to the latter position are the Packard, Pierce-Arrow, Peerless, White, Saurer, Kissel, Selden, Velie, Atterbury, Studebaker, Smith, Service, Stegeman and a number of others. Garford, Alco, Pope-Hartford, Buick, Locomobile, Speedwell, Lauth-Juergens, Sternberg, Blair and Sanford make use of the motor under seat design. General Motors, Knox, Mack and Universal will furnish machines of either type.

Left-hand drive has gained much ground since last year's show. It is a noteworthy fact that on the newer designs brought

out by makers who have been in this field for several years or more have this left steer with center control levers making for easy access on either side of the car, a small feature but nevertheless one which involves the time-saving element. Among the new cars or new models which show this tendency toward left drive are the 5ton White, the Kelly 1 and 3-ton machines, Kissel 2,500-pound type, the 1.5-ton Reo, the new Mack of the same capacity, the new Universal, the Pope-Hartford's new 1.5 and 5-ton creations and a number of others. On the new 5-ton Packard right drive and control are retained, these commercial vehicles being consistently opposite in driving control from their pleasure car mates, which are now all left drive.

Radiator Behind Motor

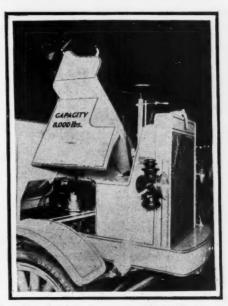
Several machines are in evidence with hoods of the Renault type, radiators being placed at the rear of motors. Among these may be mentioned the Kelly, Walter-Latil, Lippard-Stewart, Krebs and Stewart. The Universals, though fitted with radiators at the rear of the power plants, do not use sloping hoods and should not be properly classed among the Renault types of design.

Engine starters have not gained much headway so far as commercial vehicles are concerned, their conspicuous absence on the commercial products being in striking contrast to the almost general use of some sort of cranking device on the pleasure

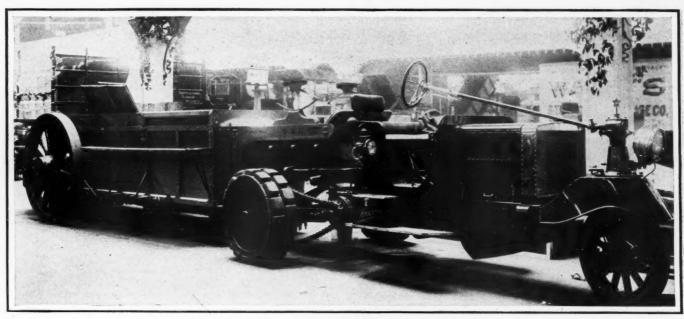
vehicles exhibited last week.

There is a general feeling among the truck makers that the starter for commercials must come if public sentiment along this line continues as it has for some time. There are a number of exhibitors, however, who can see no use whatever for the starting device on the truck, since there is no great consideration of comfort to dictate the practice.

"If the truck driver is to be set on a pedestal and humored to such an extent that he can sit back in his leather-cush-



Speedwell truck has seat tilting sidewise to give motor accessibility



KNOX OR MARTIN TRACTOR WITH ENORMOUS TRAILER BODY BUILT BY SHADBOLT

ioned seat and never have to crank his motor, he is too good to be a truck driver," said one exhibitor.

Others advanced the argument that the increased cost to the truck buyer of putting on a starter does not pay in amount of fuel saved by shutting off the motor at each stop for the interest on the increased money invested. There are still others who do not believe there is any saving at all in stopping the gasoline motor every time a short stop is made as in package delivery service. The amount of fuel needed for starting is greater than would be that used were the engine throttled to low speed and left to run at these stops. The Krebs and the Schacht are the makes conspicuous for the use of starting devices this year.

Placing Power Transmission

The relative positions of the various methods of power transmission to the rear wheels remain about the same as last year. There are eleven makes which have shaft drive, namely, Studebaker, Mais, Buick, Lippard-Stewart, Brown, Maccar, Rowe (optional), Hupmobile, Autocar and smaller White models. Save for the five makes which have worm drive the remainder of the fifty-nine have jackshaft and side chains. In most instances, the shaft driving through bevel gears is confined to cars of lighter capacity, the larger trucks quite generaly adhering to the jackshaft construction, as heretofore.

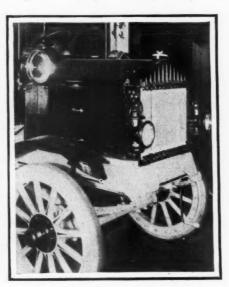
Worm drive holds its own. The Pierce models, which are exclusively 5-ton designs, have practically the same worm drive constructional details as formerly. The new Universal 1-ton job appears as a worm-driven type; four of the Blair models are so designed; two A. O. Smiths continue to carry their characteristic features; the Rowe models may be optionally supplied with worm propulsion. Most of these worms are of the overhead type, which, though said to be open to the criticism that their oiling is somewhat less effective than



New Kelly chassis with water-cooled motor, radiator back of motor and left-hand drive

that of the underneath worm design, nevertheless reduce the drive shaft angle and increase the road clearance.

Chain covers are still somewhat in vogue although not favored by a number of makers. The Knox and the Locomobile are conspicuous examples of very clean, sub-



New Reo with vertical tube radiator, from which any length tube can be removed without interference with others

stantial and easily removable practice along the lines of chain housing.

Several designs of sectional radiators have appeared. Among these are the new Reo, the Vulcan and the Universal. The latter two employ types with separate tops, and while this is also true of the Reo, it makes use of separate tubes as well. These sections are mounted vertically, one crow's foot clamp holding each two tubes at top and bottom.

It is a noticeable fact that the majority of the makers are equipping their cars with sealed governors which are regulated to maximum speeds dependent upon the truck capacity as recommended by the N. A. A. M. It has been found that most makers favor these recommendations. The N. A. A. M. standard warranty plate is also much in evidence. This relates to load capacity, body weight and speed.

The National association's recommendation that the mechanism of the truck be so arranged as not to come above the level of the frame members also appears to have been fruitful, for several makers who last year had brake rods, equalizer rods, cross pieces and grease cups above the frame level have put them below. The object of this is so that any type of body may be accommodated.

Use of Supplementary Springs

Supplementary springs are much more prominent for larger sizes of trucks than they were last year. These take several forms, the predominating designs being either cross types which come into play only when the frame is considerably compressed, or coiled varieties fastened on the rear axle. A number of cars are fitted with rubber bumpers which are also attached to the axles.

Generally speaking the minor refinements are in evidence throughout the list of trucks shown. Many of these are not noticeable at first glance. Grease cups have been placed outside the frames and on the springs so that the driver can have very little trouble in keeping the various parts lubricated. Interchangeable bearings are now possible with a number of makes of cars. For instance, wheels equipped with one make of bearing may be fitted with the same size bearings of another make. Brakes are generally larger and leverages have been altered to make them very positive in action. Ratchet sprag devices are noticeable on several of the heavier trucks, notably the Gramm.

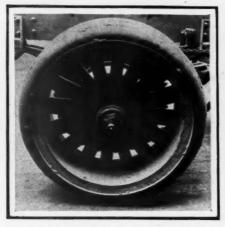
Looking from the show from the standpoint of bodies exhibited, the steel construction appears to be much more in favor than a year ago. Nearly every maker, where he shows several body designs, includes one or more so constructed. Electric welding plays an important part in these types, many of them being shown with no rivets whatever.

There is a great diversity of the lines of service covered by some of the larger exhibits. With its nine cars the Garford, for instance, shows one mail wagon, an oil tank truck, a machine which is designed for express service, a brewery type, three different designs of power dumping trucks and a furniture van. There are several specialty body designs to be seen among which the Packard machine equipped with a veritable cigar store body is of special interest. The idea of this body, which is for the use of the United Cigar Stores, is that the company can now reach country towns where heretofore it has had no representation. This body has a rear entrance and counters are arranged on either side of the center passage within.

Protection for the driver has not been overlooked this year. Many cars are equipped with well designed cabs, some completely inclosed, some with stationary tops and others with folding tops. Windshields for these machines have not been lost sight of, and take several forms. In the Garford models the glass front is hinged to the top of the cab and may be swung up and fastened out of the way when desired. Other types may be quickly removed or folded sectionally. A good arrangement for seats is shown in the Knox cab, there being a partition or arm between that portion of the seat allotted to the driver and the remainder of it which is intended for his helpers. Such a seat makes it impossible for the driver's quarters to be crowded by other occupants of the seat, and is a safety feature in that it gives the driver plenty of room for manipulation of his pedals and levers.

PANAMA EXPOSITION SHOW CERTAIN

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 17—Permission has been granted by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition to the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers to erect a motor transportation building on the 1915 exposition site. This structure is to house a motor show and will last the entire period of the world's fair in this city.

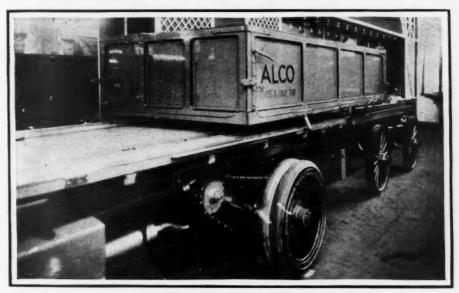


Kissel hub oiler which eliminates necessity of removing hub cap to oil wheel bearings

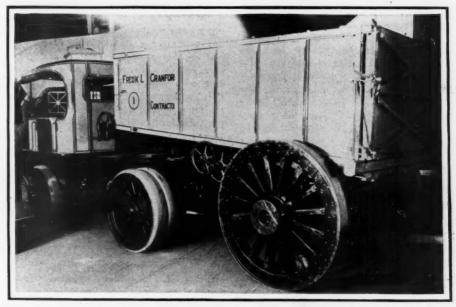
The building is designed by G. Albert Lansburgh, of this city, and it has been approved by the architectural commission. The building will be located south of the Machinery Palace, adjacent to the concession department, and it forms part of the main composition of the exposition. This structure will be one of the largest of the exposition palaces. It is approximately 275 feet front by 800 feet deep, covering somewhat over 5 acres.

The groups of statuary surmounting the attic will be allegorically carried out to typify the triumph of the motor over the elements. The main group in front will be a sort of quadriga of motor cars, typifying the conquest over the land. On the sides will be allegories of the motor boat and the aeroplane respectively typifying the victory over the sea and air. On either side of the entire length of the building there will be a frieze, 10 feet high, in bas-relief, giving the history of transportation from the early log cart up to the most modern development of motor car.

The dome which surmounts the center of the front portion of the building is 130 odd feet high.



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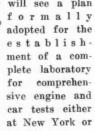
Howard Marmon, new leader of the S. A. E., accepts preside tial garel testing laboratory is

N EW YORK, Jan. 19—That the Society of Automobile Engineers will take over within the next year the duties of testing motor cars and engines which have been given up by the Automobile Club of America is considered quite probable from the action taken by the S. A. E. at its convention this week.

This was known as the winter meeting and covered the period from January 16 to 18, with headquarters at the Hotel Me-Alpin. Although no definite action was taken on the proposition to establish a testing laboratory, the proposition was advanced and received much favorable comment so that the chances are that next summer's meeting will see a plan

for comprehen-Detroit.

In England, the Royal Automobile Club of Great Britain has found in tests chief field of activity and if Harold Pope made an acthe British plan



Royal Automobile Club's Example Considered Worthy of Emulation-World's Motoring Dictionary to be Compiled

is carried out by the S. A. E. any devices pertinent to the industry-motors, tires, and so on-can be submitted to the S. A. E. for tests and its official sanction received if the article successfully withstands the test. Instead of each manufacturer claiming anything he can get away with for his car the buyer need only ask for the S. A. E. stamp of approval.

Another most important step to motorists which was taken by the S. A. E. and which is in line with the installation of the the recommendation

of the motor testing division of the standards committee that all car and motor makers be circularized to learn various methods of motor testing so that the best composite idea could be brought before the summer meeting. This means that in all probability the S. A. E. will compile a standard method of testing engines, specifying standard instruments and supplying standard curve sheets which are to be used in making factory tests of motor car engines. Sample curves and data sheets have been drawn up and a tentative plan of procedure in testing motors with suggestions for a standard apparatus and standard charts for plotting horsepower, efficiency and economy curves already have been prepared and were submitted by J. O. Heinze of the Northway Motor Co., who acted as chairman of the motor testing division of the standardization committee of the

Lighting Standards Adopted

The society adopted standard lamps for electric lighting. All accepted electric bulbs are to be known as 7-volt lamps, and are to have an efficiency of 1.1 watts per candle at voltages between 6.5 and 7 volts. The S. A. E. standard electric headlight is to be 2.6 inches diameter size and capable of being focused in a reflector of 71/8 inches or greater focal length. Side and rear lights are 1-inch diameter size. To do away with the confusion on account of the many different sizes of storage battery it was decided by the society to circularize battery makers with the idea of arriving at two standard overall heights and widths of storage batteries, giving three standard plate sizes from which batteries of any capacity ean be made by simply increasing the number of plates, which would merely change the overall length of the batteries.

Another achievement of the S. A. E. at its winter meeting was the standardization of the length, width and height of the magneto space on motors and also dimensions of the space necessary to mount the magneto.

Policy of the S. A. E.

President H. W. Alden, opened the convention on Thursday morning at the Mc-Alpin hotel. Speaking of the work of the society since the summer meeting, he stated that the policy has been to follow out the ideas of the late president H. Donaldson. The work of the standards committee was especially commended as representing the best efforts of the organization and carired on by the most able men of which the industry can boast.

Alden advocated the forming of local branches in all the large cities in order to stimulate interest in the society work. Movement for the endowment of the society so that it will not be dependent entirely upon dues and initiation fees was also favored.



A. L. McMurtry proved able talker on dyna-

The treasurer's report showed total eash on hand and in the bank at close of year 1912 of \$11,573.10, as against \$2,-230.04 at the end of the previous year. Total disbursements for 1912 were \$28,-379.32, as against \$22,000 for 1911. This increase in expenditure is justified by

Engineers Consider Taking Radical Steps

Mid-Winter Meeting in New York Elects Howard Marmon as President and Promises Much for Immediate Future

larger membership and broader activity. The society's only indebtedness is \$4,000 in notes held by prominent members of the organization.

The membership is rapidly increasing, the curve of gain being practically a straight line. The teller's report showed 501 members taken in during the year as follows: Regular members, 190; associates, 233; juniors, 62; affiliates, 11.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Howard Marmon; vice-presidents, J. G. Perrin and Russell Huff; treasurer, Herman F. Cuntz; members of the council, H. L. Pope, E. F. Russell and J. A. Anglada.

Monument Planned for Donaldson

The society appropriated from \$300 to \$500 for the erection of a monument in tribute to the memory of the late Henry F. Donaldson, president of the society at the time of his death. Previous to its submission to the society for action, which was unanimous, the matter had been favorably acted upon by the council and H. M. Swetland, in bringing it before the membership as a whole, stated it was desirable to have the concerted action of the society on such a matter. Mr. Donaldson's work for the society was of great benefit and he was a great man and



John O. Heinze explains fifty-seven varieties of engine testing

writer. It is therefore only fitting that this tribute be paid to his memory.

The average attendance at each meeting was about fifty, while 517 members and their guests were at the banquet.

After the close of the business session on Thursday the professional sessions

commenced. third report of the broaches division was accepted without disdiscussion as a progress report. The question of machining splined shafts with the increased tendency toward the hobbing of the spline, was taken up. This has developed new necessities in manufacture and may lead to requiring a change in the depth of the standard splines.

No report was heard from the ball and roller bearings division of the committee. Standard rod ends formed the one subject of the report of the miscellaneous division. This division has in its report standardized the

length, width and height of the magneto space and recommended standard plain yoke ends on rods for connections between the carbureter and magneto control.

Electric lighting division accepted standard bulbs for lighting mentioned above and also it was decided to circularize lighting system makers with a view to fixing a standard for fuses and dimensions for fuse boxes and battery boxes. This division wanted to take up the matter of dimmers for headlights but no action was taken upon the subject.

The report of the sheet metals division giving specifications for standard manganese bronze was accepted. Makers of sheets and rods have been circularized with the idea of arriving at the general practice in this regard so as to fix standards for them.

Report of Sheet Metals Division

In addition to recommending a specification for manganese bronze for sheets and rods, the sheet metals division presented a report of its activities along the line of standardization of sizes of sheets and rods as used in motor car construction. The report was read by division chairman T. V. Buckwalter. According to it, the division's work divides itself into two parts. First, the presentation of specifications for sheet metals and rods, and, second, the submission of specifications for the dimensions of these materials. In

order to arrive at what sizes for these to recommend it is first necessary for the committee to know the preferred sizes as now employed by the manufacturers. Nearly every maker has his own special sizes and at present there is no uniformity whatever.

Makers Asked for Data

For the purpose of ascertaining these particulars, data sheets have been circularized to every maker asking that he note thereon his preferences as to sheets and rods. It is hoped that the returns on

these requested data will be complete enough so that a number of definite recommendations may be submitted at next summer's meeting and some definite action in the matter taken by the society.

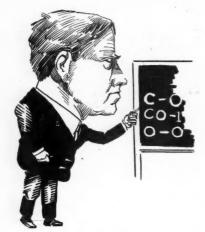
The composition of the manganese bronze as submitted by the committee for



Professor Hutton believes a rose by any other name would smell as sweet



vision has in its re- Former President Henry Souther at home at all-times on wire wheels



E. R. Hewitt finds instruction from exhaust end of muffler

the consideration of the society is shown in the following table:

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S. A. E. Motor Dictionary

The nomenclature division of which E. J. Stoddard is chairman has been in operation only a short time and hence has had very little opportunity to do other than make tentative plans for its line of procedure. Mr. Stoddard merely gave his views as to what was contemplated in an informal way, he having no specific report to submit at this time. The field of such a committee is great, he said, and there is much to be done. In each factory there are many words which grow up from the shops and which are not correct when ap-



Professor Marshall explains his accelermeter theory

plied to any particular part of the car. They are not generally received and are perhaps not understood by those in other shops.

Stoddard suggested a dictionary of terms used in the motor car industry to be printed in several languages for distribution and adoption in all countries so that the present confusion would be alleviated. For instance, there is a difference of opinion as to the correct term to apply to the transmission gears. Should they be known as the gearset or the transmission?

In fixing terms for the various components of the motor car, Mr. Stoddard pointed out that the words used should be of general application and not one which is merely satisfactory to any small body of men or to any particular art. That is, when naming parts the society should not only be governed to its own members for the correct term, but should fix a word which is satisfactory as well to any other body of engineers when used by them. Stoddard asked for the support



George T. Briggs strong on carburetion

of the society at large and hoped that he could be of service.

In discussing Mr. Stoddard's remarks, Howard Coffin pointed out the great advantage to the service departments if the public called parts by their proper names in ordering so that their wants could be filled promptly and so that it would eliminate the present necessity in many cases of further correspondence to determine to just what part the customer referred. This would be a saving both to owner and manufacturer. The United States patent office also has asked for the assistance of the society in arriving at correct and definite names for parts of the car, many of which at present are referred to by several different words. Mr. Coffin suggested an illustrated dictionary published in six languages. No official action was taken on the report.

To Standardize Rims

Action was taken regarding the present situation caused by the internal dissention within the rim association. This matter was discussed in connection with the meeting of the standards committee as re-



Professor Carpenter led in discussion of longstroke motors

ported last week. There is a likelihood that the rim association will soon be disrupted with the result that the market will be flooded with many types of demountable and detachable rims. There are at present about five types of demountables and as many detachables. With this situation in view it is now high time for the society to step in and seek to standardize this part of the industry so that there will be one standard type of each class of rims, including the straight-side type.

Resolution on Rims

Accordingly, the following resolutions were adopted by the society at the meeting on January 17: "That there are too many pneumatic tire rims in the market; that this society believes that a much smaller number of rims will satisfy the needs of the industry and at the same time will bring about a great saving; that the committee appointed to consider and report upon this subject shall proceed at once to hold such meetings and hearings as will bring about an improvement in this situation; that a report be submitted at the earliest possible moment; that this committee shall cooperate with the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers and with the Automobile Board of Trade." The committee to consider an improvement in the rim situation for pneumatic tires



Howard Coffin tried hard to forget his recent vacation

was appointed and has as members representatives from the several industries involved.

A meeting of the committee was held and it was decided to hold a meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, at the earliest possible moment. At the meeting the final organization of the committee will be accomplished. Following this meeting a hearing will be given to all those interested in the situation, that is, to those having rims which they would like to have adopted as recommended by the society.

Investigating the Rim Situation

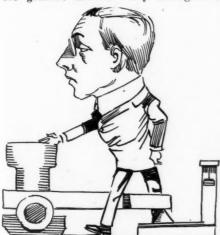
Those appearing at the hearing will be requested to produce the metal parts of a rim complete as furnished, including felloe band and all attachments. The weight of these parts will be correctly seen.

these parts will be carefully scrutinized and will form an important consideration in the choice of any rim. No specially prepared or machined exhibits will be considered. The rims and parts must be exactly as furnished commercially.

A complete wheel with tire also must be furnished for demonstration purpose. The standard size of all exhibits will be 36 by 4½ inches. Tools for attaching and detaching and detaching and detaching and means for inflation must also accompany the exhibit.

E. R. Hall, of the Goodyear company, discussed the situation from the standpoint of tire manufacturing, stating that all such concerns would welcome a standard rim of low cost and easy operation which would not work a hardship upon the manufacturers as far as cost was concerned. H. B. Bannister, a wheel manufacturer, stated that both the wire and the wood wheel makers would welcome the society's efforts along this line. President Alden pointed out that the committee would give a full hearing to all concerned.

Henry Souther took up the intended action at the Cleveland meeting in detail and stated that no favorites will be played. The object is to arrive at a standard type which will work for the greatest good of the greatest number. Any arrangement



H. Chase, A. C. A.'s engine testing representative

which this committee makes will include competition, he said. The action of the committee was approved by the society.

Acceptance of the report of the motor testing division means that a long step is taken towards standardization of practically testing the motors. The report recommended that the manufacturers be circularized to learn the various methods of motor testing so that the best composite idea could be brought up for consideration at the summer meeting. This included the method, equipment, arrangement and specification for instruments and a standard form for data and curve sheets; also it was recommended that this also determine exactly what tests are to be considered necessary.

The report of the wheel dimensions and



W. G. Wall an expounder of national theories

fastenings for tires division of the standards committee was accepted and recommended that truck tire makers get together and decide whether or not they must demand the machining of rims which is necessitated by the greater reduction in tolerance as to rim size demanded.

Truck Standards Report

Report of progress was made by the truck standards division. The committee is collecting data so it can recommend six fundamental standard sizes of related parts in the motor truck, such as the size of the motor with respect to the load capacity, the size of the tires with respect to load capacity and the proportion on the load on the front or rear wheels and so on.

Christian Girl' in presenting the report of the spring division which was to have been submitted at the June sessions, stated that the work of his committee was rather to simplify the spring situation, so far as the manufacturer was concerned, than to standardize parts. The report was accepted as a progress one. The committee has before it the collection of information on the best length of spring pads or seats for overslung and underslung springs, and also the accepted distances for and aft between spring clips, for springs of different lengths.

I. V. Buckwalter in presenting the report on aluminum and copper alloys recommended an alloy for general utility made up of

In the United States standards, the divisions are: Copper, 88 per cent; tin,

10 per cent; and zinc, 2 per cent. The recommended specifications give an alloy with reasonable working limitations, and with a tensile strength of 35,000 pounds.

The second alloy recommended as suitable for gears, worms, etc., is:

 Copper
 .88 to 89 per cent

 Tin
 .11 to 12 per cent

 Phosphorus
 .15 to 30 per cent

Metal of this specification is extensively used in England and can be manufactured by any good metallurgist. The report was accepted.

Thursday evening was devoted to commercial car papers. The first paper to be presented was comparative data on performance of motor trucks with regard to size and motor and gear ratio. It was presented by Cornelius T. Meyer. Low grade fuel for motor trucks

was presented by N. B. Pope while the tendency of foreign motor truck design was outlined by Lowell C. Freeman of the Federal Motor Truck Co. B. B. Bachman, of the Autocar Co., gave comparative results on solid and pneumatic tires on light commercial vehicles. There were three topics for discussion, worm gears, motor starters for commercial vehicles, and metal wheels.

Cornelius T. Myers in his paper, proposed a formula for determining

the proper size and speed of the motor and the gear reduction required for any size, of truck under any set of local conditions and service. In his paper, N. B. Pope discussed the possibility, indeed, the necessity in the near future of employing a lower grade of fuel for commercial vehicles, and compared the availability of three substitutes for gasoline, kerosene, distillate and naphtha. He suggested that an educational campaign immediately be put under way and one or two successful manufacturers exploit models specifically intended for low-grade fuels. The prevalence of the worm drive was one of the chief points brought out in Lowell C. Freeman's paper on foreign tendencies. The comparison of solid and pneumatic tires on light commercial vehicles developed the fact that pneumatics, while more expensive in tire cost, lowered the maintenance cost of the truck in general very greatly.

Friday's professional session opened



E. J. Stoddard points out need of nomenclature revision

with a paper on the "Stability of Automobile Propeller Shafts" by J. M. Thomas, which developed formulæ and curves for calculating critical speeds of shafts of different lengths and diameters at which they would fail on account of vibration. He stated that the present method requires some experience and judgment on the part of the designer if the result is to be satisfactory, and suggested a method involving less uncertainty. This was to find the diameter of the given length of shaft which, when the critical speed and vibration are taken into account will give an ample margin of safety and then to test of strength under maximum torque.

A paper on "Leaf Springs" by Leavitt J. Lane, of the Pope Mfg. Co., discussed the design and construction of pleasure car and commercial vehicle springs. S. I. Fekete of the Hudson company, presented a paper entitled "Brake Capacity Determination" in which he developed formulas for calculating brake sizes. "The Effect of Relation of Bore to Stroke in Motor Car Engines" was the subject of a paper by John Wilkinson of the Franklin company in which he stated that the general limits on the stroke bore ratio are 1 to 1 as the lower limit on account of cooling of the piston and 1 to 5 as the upper by the limits of mechanical adaptiveness.

Exhaust gas analysis was discussed by Herbert Chase and a method propounded for determining the efficiency of motor and carbureter by the percentage of carbon monoxide in the exhaust gas. George T. Briggs, of the Schebler factory, in a paper entitled "Data on Motor Testing" brought out the necessity of correct manifold design.

Friday evening was devoted to the annual society dinner which was held in the Louis XVI restaurant of the Hotel McAlpin. It was preceded by a reception at 8 o'clock. Members were addressed by President Alden, President-elect Howard Marmon, and Professor F. R. Hutton. In the course of his remarks Professor Hutton said:

"The activity of your society largely depends on the work of the sections, and the philosophy of this sectional work is not so much along the line of deep thought as to be up-to-the-minute information. Your sectional meetings call for knowledge of up-to-date requirements. The second great work of your society is the ideal of developing the standard. It is the development of this that relieves you from the influence of the sales manager and the advertising manager.

"Growth of membership should be the third ideal of your society, and I am pleased to note that your growth is as great, if not greater, than that of any of the other American engineering societies.

"The fourth ideal is that the engineer can expend less time in specialty work and

more in broad views. He should be released from the petty details and be free for better and larger work in the development of materials and properties in the heat engine, along which line the art needs its greatest development. Scientific research is needed, and what our engineers require is that exact knowledge which comes from such research. My hope and dream is that our society will have a testing laboratory established in Detroit or some other city, and that it will be conducted along board lines." The closing session of the society's meeting took place on Saturday morning when the following topics were discussed: "Magneto Couplings; With' the Motor Starter, Lighting Plant and Ignition Possible in One Unit, Will the Magneto be Discarded?"; "Will the Six-Cylinder Motor Eventually Displace the Four-Cylinder for Pleasure Cars?"; "Why Has the 42-Inch Wheel Been Discarded?" The papers presented and their discussions appear on other pages of this issue. See pages 24 to 31 inclusive.

Accessory Men Elect Their New Board

Tenth Annual Meeting Held in New York During the Show —J. H. Foster Succeeds H. T. Dunn as President—W. Sweet Retained as Manager of the Association

N EW YORK, Jan. 18—The Motor and Accessory Manufacturers' Association was very much in evidence during the week of the pleasure car show, this being the occasion of its tenth annual meeting. At the beginning of the week meetings of the old regime were held, while Wednesday night came the usual banquet, which brought out a record-breaking attendance.

The annual meting was held on Wednesday afternoon, at which time committee reports were read and new directors chosen. C. E. Thompson, Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., F. Hallett Lovell, Jr., and C. E. Whitney were appointed to succeed D. J. Post, H. W. Chapin, C. T. Byrne and C. E. Whitney.

On Thursday the board of directors elected the following officers: President, J. H. Foster to succeed H. T. Dunn; first vice-president, F. Hallett Lovell, Jr., to succeed J. H. Foster; C. E. Whitney continues as second vice-president; C. F. Billings succeeds C. L. Barnes as third vice-president, and L. M. Wainwright, formerly secretary, has been made treasurer. A new office of secretary and assistant treasurer has been created which will be filled by Alfred P. Sloan, Jr. William M. Sweet continues in the capacity of manager.

KLAXON SCORES LEGAL VICTORY

New York, Jan. 18-Announcement is made by the Lovell-McConnell Mfg. Co., maker of the Klaxon horn, of the rendering of a favorable decision in its suit in the United States circuit court of appeals. Some time previous an injunction was granted the Lovell-McConnell company against the International Automobile League of Buffalo, which prohibited the latter from selling the product of the latter at less than list prices. In obedience to this injunction the league, which is a coöperative purchasing and profit-sharing organization, notified its members that hereafter Klaxon horns would be sold only at list prices. In an alleged attempt to avoid actual payment of these prices, while apparently complying with the law, it is said notice was sent out that upon receipt of the list price of one of these signals the league would return a horn and a check to the amount of the discount formerly allowed, payable to any charitable institution the buyer might designate. In the opinion of the court this was considered a device to enable the purchaser to get his discount by assigning the check to himself, as a charitable institution. The opinion was handed down by Judge Lacombe.

WEED ENJOINS SIX MAKERS

New York, Jan. 20-Responsive to action taken by the Weed Tire Grip Co., six manufacturers and dealers of tire chain accessories have been enjoined against further manufacture and sale of their products. Bills of equity were filed by Duncan & Duncan, attorneys for the Weed interests, against the W. E. Pruden Hardware Co., of New York; Edwin S. Holmes, Jr., holder of a patent relating to crosschain hooks, Randolph T. Warwick, Leon Tobiner and Charles Bauer, dealers in attachments to the Weed chain grip without license from the holders of the Parsons patent, under which the Weed company manufactures; and the Q. D. Hook Co., of Washington, D. C., manufacturer under the Holmes patent. The W. E. Pruden Hardware Co, was sued about 2 years ago for selling chain grips, and other attachments, unlicensed under the Weed patent holdings, but the suit was dropped upon its promise to discontinue the infringement. In violation of the promise, it is alleged, it has marketed goods unlawfully competitive with the Weed chain and parts. Injunctions were issued against each of these defendants.

ROSE PATENT SUIT DROPPED

New York, Jan. 20—A decision rendered in the United States district court for the district of New Jersey by Judge Cross in the suit of the Rose Mfg. Co. vs. the E. A. Whitehouse Mfg. Co. and the Le Compte Mfg. Co. dismissed the bill of complaint with costs. The bill alleged infringement of the Rosenbluth and Hughes patents owned by the Rose company, by the de-

fendants. The patents cover lamp brackets and number plates.

IMPORTERS WANT LOWER DUTY

Washington, D. C., Jan. 20—The ways and means committee of the house of representatives is listening to petitions from the motor industry on the tariff. The chain makers have submitted a brief asking that no reduction in the present tariff of 45 per cent ad valorem on their product be considered, while the car importers petition for a reduction from 45 to 25 per

cent ad valorem, pointing out that their imports have shrunk one-half since 1907, causing the government to lose \$1,381,634 in duties. The importers say that with a 25 per cent duty they can bring their importations up to 3,000 chassis in the next year following the reduction, which would not be serious competition for the American manufacturers with their 300,000-car output in 1913.

Accompanying the importers' brief is a most interesting table showing motor car manufacturing costs.

CONTRIBUTE TO ROAD FUND

will be vacated.

New York, Jan. 20—John North Willys, president of the Overland company, has donated the sum of \$150,000 to the fund which is being raised for the purpose of constructing a national highway from one coast to the other. This donation is to be paid in three instalments of \$50,000 each, payable during 1913, 1914 and 1915.

could obtain a District of Columbia license

for \$2 and it was good as long as the

licensee owned the car. The new order

can revoke the order any time they see

fit. In other words, if the Maryland au-

thorities will agree to a reciprocity plan

whereby Washington licenses are recog-

nized across the state line, as is now done

in every state in the union, the order

The district commissioners, however,

has been issued as a police regulation.

The Packard company has subscribed \$150,000 to transcontinental stone road fund. It has not been decided yet whether this sum will be paid all at once or in three annual installments, but contribution is subject to following three conditions:

It is to be paid only in case of sufficient funds being subscribed for construction of the entire road scheme.

Engineering work must be supervised by government engineers.

States through which road is to be laid to contribute labor. The latter condition is merely for the purpose of insuring the proper use of funds.

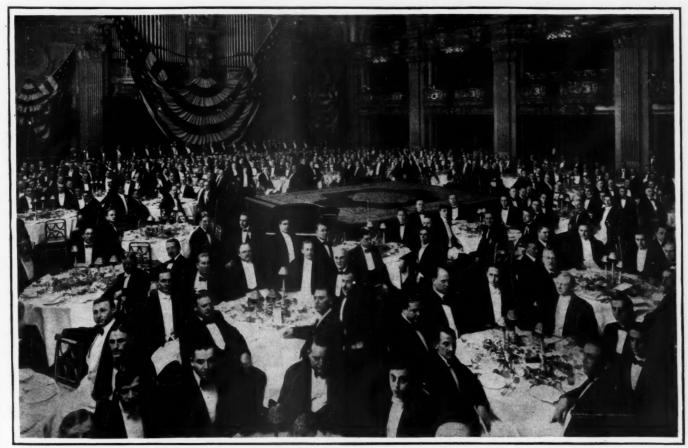
District of Columbia Board Retaliates

Regulation Fees for Maryland Owners to Be Same as Latter Charge, Ranging from \$5 to \$25 a Car Instead of \$2— Regulations to Become Effective February 1

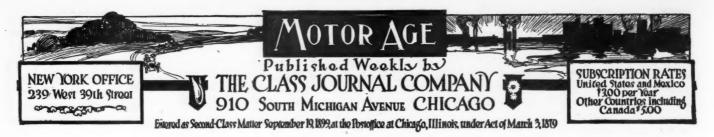
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 18—After having contributed more than \$50,000 to the coffers of Maryland for the privilege of using Maryland roads, motor car owners of the District of Columbia have at last been enabled to retaliate for the alleged bad treatment they have been subjected to for several years. The district commissioners have adopted new regulations, which will become effective February 1 next, compelling all Maryland motor car owners to pay a license fee to the district equivalent to the fee which they pay the state, in complete disregard of the fact that Vir-

ginia, Pennsylvania and, in fact all other states that grant reciprocity, can have the motor cars of the citizens of those states enter the District of Columbia without the payment of any license fee and despite the further fact that the district license is only \$2 and is perpetual.

In other words, Maryland motor car owners must pay the same license fees exacted of residents of the state, ranging in price from \$5 to \$25 per car per year. Maryland's refusal of reciprocity is responsible for the attitude assumed by the district authorities. Until the new regulations were issued Maryland motorists



ANNUAL BANQUET OF MOTOR AND ACCESSORY MANUFACTURERS IN NEW YORK CITY



The S. A. E.—Its Work and Field

A T the mid-winter session of the Society of Automobile Engineers, held in New York city last week, the value of such an engineering organization to the car owner was well demonstrated by the activities of the society on practical questions that affect the operation of a car by every individual.

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E NGINEERING societies are generally considered to be only for the engineer, but while the S. A. E. works primarily for the manufacturers of cars and accessories, it also works directly and indirectly for the general good of every car owner, and every truck owner. The maker realizes that a satisfied owner is his greatest asset and that the sure path to satisfaction with owners lies through a satisfactory car.

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E VERY owner should welcome the movement of the society to compile a standard set of terms covering car nomenclature. At present one maker uses the term gearbox, whereas another employs the word transmission, both makers having the same part of the car in mind. This gives one example of the necessity of standardized terms for corresponding vehicle parts. Patent attorneys engaged in international business have discovered much difficulty because of a lack of uniformity in motor car nomenclature; and concerns operating service departments throughout America are experiencing equal difficulty in ordering parts due to different nomenclatures used by the different concerns. Not only is a uniform and standard form of nomenclature required in America, but such a system should be uniform with that of England, France, Germany, and other countries.

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THE society is showing its practical worth to the car owner by its early activity in connection with wire wheels. By appointing a special committee to take charge of such work, the society hopes to avoid that labyrinth of trouble which the truck owner discovered himself in a year or so ago when solid rubber tires were not made interchangeable, and when changing from one make of tire to another meant purchasing new wheels. The wire wheel is coming; next year it will be in great demand, and now is the time to settle the questions of standardizing hub sizes and other parts which are susceptible of practical standardization so that the fitting of the wire wheel will not carry with it a useless expense and an unnecessary loss of time to the car owner. The value of wire wheels is recognized on all sides and the society is doing the car owner as well as the manufacturer a great good by making the fitting of such wheels as simple a matter as possible.

W HAT is needed in the sessions of the society is more whole-hearted discussions by the engineers on such questions as large diameter wheels, four-cylinder vs. six-cylinder motors, unit gearbox location with motor vs. unit gearbox location with rear axle, and other topics of an equally practical nature. The layman desires information on these subjects, and it is only by participation in such discussions by our engineers representing both sides of the argument that it is possible to give the car owner the information he is seeking.

Ar present many of the features of the new cars that prove the convincing part of the selling argument are dictated by the buyer. For example, this season the buyer demands a cranking motor, preferably of the electric type. This demand is country-wide. It is so urgent that the manufacturer has to heed it, and in fact a few makers who imagined they could sell their cars without starters have been compelled to make hurried attachments at the twelfth hour. Conditions of this nature are costly to the manufacturer, more or less disrupting to the industry, and very frequently unsatisfactory to the owner in service. It would have been much better had the subject of cranking motors been thoroughly discussed at the mid-summer season of the society, so that the effect of the discussion could have been scattered broadcast throughout the country and had a salutary effect on the buying demands of the public. Not only would such a discussion have made the buyer more capable of taking the same view on the subject, but it would have also made the manufacturer better prepared for the exigency which he has found himself confronted with during the last 2 months in preparation for 1913.

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THERE is not any reason why the society cannot become a molder of public opinion, as well as an organization for standardizing constructions after the demand for certain construction has been created by the public. Playing such a role as this by the society would have a very desirable effect on adding stability to the buying clientele, and instead of quickly precipitated avalanches of public opinion towards one device or another, there would be a more maturely developed demand and consequently one pointing more directly towards a definite goal for the manufacturers.

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N this respect the Society of Automobile Engineers occupies a different position than that of societies for electrical engineering and mechanical engineering. With a motor car the engineer deals directly with the millions of population, whereas in the electrical industry he deals with manufacturing concerns rather than individuals. It is because of this difference that the society should approach the broad question of governing public demand. Unquestionably many of the short-lived whims of the past 3 or 4 years could have been eliminated with great saving to the manufacturer and owner had the questions been squarely met and thoroughly discussed and analyzed at an early period in their history. Rapid whimsical changes are expensive. Instead of the public creating a demand the situation should be reversed, and the manufacturer should, by broad-gauged research, settle well in advance what is correct and then supply it to the public. No better method of reaching this end can be found than in the S. A. E.

To-DAY we are in a cart-before-the-horse regime, which is proving needlessly expensive and unsatisfactory to all parties concerned. Such a state of affairs will continue so long as our engineers fail to reach a broader basic requisites of the various component parts of the car, which up to the present have been so largely reached by a zig-zag series of investigations demanded by the public.

French Set Dates for Grand Prix Race

PARIS, Jan. 8—Saturday, July 12, has been fixed for the French grand prix fuel consumption race to be held on the 19-mile course near Amiens. It has been decided that the course will be covered twenty-nine times, which will give an approximate total distance of 563 miles. For this distance the fuel allowance will be 40 gallons, the rules stipulating that cars shall not consume more than 1 gallon per 14.1 miles. The whole of the fuel must be on the car at the start of the race.

The exact length of the course will not be known until it has been decided how the hairpin turn at the Amiens end will be treated. It is probable that instead of taking the cars around the present bend a special semi-circular banked track will be built uniting the two parallel roads. This bend will be so designed that cars can pass from the first to the second leg of the course at high speed, and as the main grandstands will be built around the outside of the banked turn, true motordrome conditions will be secured. Probably the pits will be on the straightaway just after the banked

It is probable that Mercedes cars will come into the race. The English agent of the German Mercedes company has made an entry, but this has been temporarily refused by the racing board, on the ground that only manufacturers can take part in the race. If, however, the parent company makes no objection to the agent running these cars, they will be admitted by the French club. It is also probable that one or two Turcat-Mery cars will be entered for the grand prix.

Very few of the drivers have yet been selected for the race. The Peugeot team will consist of Georges Boillot, Jules Goux and Zuccarelli. Sunbeam has decided to have two English and two French drivers. The former will be W. Lee Guinness and D. Resta, and the latter Victor Rigal and M. Caillois. Delage has selected Albert

Foreign Road Classic Will Be Contested Saturday, July 12

Guyot as one of his drivers; the second has not yet been appointed. Two of the Schneider drivers will be Champoiseau and Croquet, who drove for this firm last year; the third man has not been selected. Arthur Duray will probably be at the wheel of the Turcat-Mery car about to be entered. Christiaens will drive the sixeylinder Excelsior. The old-time cracks, Wagner and Hemery, probably will sign on with some of the foreign firms.

It is now practically decided that the grand prix will be followed by a motor cycle and cyclecar race on the same course. The conditions for this have not yet been decided on, and no official announcement regarding the race has yet

ALCO TRUCK BREAKS RECORD

New York, Jan. 16-The Philadelphia to New York record by motor truck of 8 hours and 45 minutes was lowered by 14 minutes today when the transcontinental Alco truck bettered its own previous best mark despite muddy going, heavy rains and thick fog.

Carrying a cargo of thirty boxes of soap, consigned by its owners, Charles W. Young & Co., of Philadelphia, to Schwarzenbach, Huber & Co., a large silk manufacturing concern in West Hoboken, the big freighter made the journey in 8 hours and 31 minutes. The load transported by the truck weighed 8,247 pounds.

INDIANAPOLIS DROPS A DAY

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 20-The management of the Indianapolis motor speedway has decided that there shall be but 1 day of racing at the May meet to be held at the speedway. This will be on Memorial Day-May 30-and the only event will be the 500-mile international sweepstakes for cars of 450 cubic inches piston displacement and under.

Some time ago the management contemplated a 2 day meet, with a number of shorter events for 1 day and the 500mile race the next. After consulting with manufacturers, it has been deemed wise to limit the meet to 1 day and one event.

The Nyberg Motor Car Co., of Anderson, has entered a Nyberg car for the race and has nominated Harry Endicott as driver. This makes three entries to date with prospects bright for a large number of additional entries before many days. It also is announced Burman will drive a Keeton six.

WANTS UNCLE SAM TO HELP

Columbus, O., Jan. 20-Senator J. I. Hudson of the Ohio general assembly has introduced a joint resolution petitioning congress for sufficient appropriations to establish a system of national highways. He estimates that 90 per cent of travel is confined to 20 per cent of the highways and it would not be necessary for the government to improve more than. 400,000 miles at this time. He says there are 2,198,645 miles of highways in the country and only 10,679 or 8.66 per cent are improved.

ROAD BILLS FOR INDIANA

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 20-A large number of good roads bills have been introduced in the Indiana legislature, now in biennial session. Many of these bills resemble each other closely and the most of them will be killed in committee.

It is the intention of the majority members of the house and senate to take all of the bills introduced and from them construct a bill in accordance with promises made in the party platform. It is regarded as likely that the bill to be introduced and passed will create a statehighway commission and a state highway tax and provide for an annual state license on motor vehicles.

SHOWS

January 20-25—New York truck show; Automobile Board of Trade; Grand Central Palace and Madison Square Garden.
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January 20-25—Lynn, Mass.

January 21-26—Toledo, O.

January 25-February 1—St. Johns, N. B.

January 25-February 1—Providence, R. I.

January 25-February 1—Montreal, Canada

January 27-February 1—Scranton, Pa.

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January 27-February 13—Troy, N. Y.
February 1-8—Chicago pleasure car show;
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February 3-8—Washington, D. C.
February 10-15—Chicago truck show.
February 10-15—Ottawa, Ont.
February 10-15—Minneapolis.
February 12-15—Geneva, N. Y.
February 11-15—Binghamton, N. Y.
February 15-22—Newark, N. J.



February 15-22—Albany, N. Y.
February 16-23—Richmond, Va.
February 17-22—Kansas City.
February 18-19—Madison, Wis.
February 18-21—Grand Forks, N. D.
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February 22-March 1—Brooklyn, N. Y.
February 24-March 1—Toronto, Canada.
February 24-March 1—St. Louis, Mo.
February 24-March 1—Memphis, Tenn.
February 24-March 1—Cincinnati, O.

February 24-March 1—Omaha, Neb.
February 24-March 1—Paterson, N. J.
February 24-27—Kansas City truck show.
February 25-March 1—Syracuse, N. Y.
February 26-March 1—Fort Dodge, Ia.
February 26-March 1—Gien Falls, N. Y.
March 3-8—Sioux City, Ia.
March 3-5—Cincinnati commercial show.
March 3-8—Bridgeport, Conn.
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March 5-8—Liffin, O.
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March 8-15—Boston, Mass.
March 11-15—Truck show, Des Moines, Ia.
March 20-24—New Orleans, La.
March 24-29—Indianapolis, Ind.

May 30—Indianapolis speedway meet.
June 25-28—Chicago Automobile Club reliability to Boston, Mass.
July 12—French grand prix.
November 25—Vanderbilt road race at.
Savannah, Ga.
November 27—Savannah grand prix.

Show Enthusiasm Hits Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 18—With no formal ceremony beyond the turning on of the switch that loosed a flood of light throughout the building, the twelfth annual show, conducted under the auspices of the Philadelphia Automobile Trade Association, opened tonight and was launched on a successful 2 weeks' career in the mammoth new garage of the Automobile Club of Philadelphia, on Twenty-third street between Market and Chestnut. The exhibition will continue afternoon and evening every day except Sunday until February 1 and as heretofore will be divided into two sections, the first week being devoted to pleasure cars, both gasoline and electric, and accessories. The second week commercial vehicles will be on view, together with a holdover accessories display.

It is an all-American exhibit. Sixtynine separate makes of gasoline and electric pleasure cars, showing in all about 300 cars, together with twenty-five accessories dealers, presenting a more varied array of motor car incidentals than has ever been assembled before in Philadelphia, comprise the exhibition.

Three floors, each containing approximately 30,000 square feet, are given over to the exhibiton which started tonight. This is far more space than heretofore has been available in both the old armories combined, but it was needed, for in the number of exhibits, their variety and completeness, it is the most comprehensive and representative show ever held in Philadelphia, and if first-night attendance is any criterion it will set a mark hitherto unapproached.

The first floor has been converted into an Italian garden, scattered about which are Venetian urns mounted with mosaic globes lined with electric lights. Overhead are streamers of leaves, caught up from pillar to pillar with ornamental wreaths. On the second floor is portrayed a realistic autumn scene, with pergola and trellis effects, the blank wall being covered with a road scene in which the motor car occupies a conspicuous place.

On the third floor are southern California scenes. Overhead is sky, through which glisten electric bulbs in imitation of stars. Around three of the walls is a representation of an old Spanish wall, the fourth containing a characteristic California landscape. On each of the floors an orchestra discourses music throughout the evenings.

The accessories exhibit, shown on the third floor, is a comprehensive one and includes all the standard incidentals and appurtenances that contribute to complete a car in every detail. The accessories feature will hold forth throughout the first week and a portion will hold over during the second week.

Quaker City Takes 2 Weeks to Inspect 1913 Motor Car Models

Simultaneously with the opening of the show in the garage of the Automobile Club of Philadelphia, the First Regiment armory opened its doors on the first annual domestic and importers' exhibition conducted under the auspices of the newly organized Philadelphia Automobile Board of Trade, Ltd. The Importers' Salon consists of ten different foreign makes and the American section an equal number.

The Mercedes, Isotta-Franschini, Minerva, de Dion-Bouton, Metallurgique, Lancia, Canadian Keeton, Renault and Panhard comprised the exhibits in the Importers' Salon, while the American section

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consisted of the National, Cutting, Abbott-Detroit, Klinekar, Marathon, Chevrolet, Hupmobile, Nyberg, Warren and Schacht cars.

NEW INSURANCE RATES

New York, Jan. 18-The Automobile Underwriters' Conference has adopted a new schedule of rates to apply in the eastern and middle states. The rates do not apply to the west because of the formation of a western conference.

The new rates for all private pleasure gasoline cars are divided into two classes, as follows:

Class 1—Cars in hands of original owners during the first and second year for cars of list prices ranging from \$3.500 up and cars in hands of original owners for first year for cars of list prices ranging from \$3,500 downward, as shown in the accompanying table.

Class 2—Iincluding all cars not included in class 1, irrespective of their year of make, but excluding second hand cars. See accompanying table.

NEW INSURANCE RATES SET BY EASTERN CONFERENCE

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All cars listed at less than \$700 take a rate of 31% per cent, irrespective of the amount insured, but the minimum premium shall be

12.50. Deductions.—A reduction of ½ of 1 per cent on cars in class No. 1 and ¼ of 1 per cent on cars in class No. 2 will be allowed for the elimination of theft and valued policy clauses by use on the following form of endorsement:

Electric Motor Cars.—Rate for all models 1½ per cent, subject to a reduction of ½ of 1 per cent for the elimination of theft and valued policy clauses, using for this purpose the same endorsement as that provided for gasoline cars.

Steam Motor Cars.—Cars of current year, rate not less than 3 per cent. Cars built one year prior to "current year," rate not less than 3½ per cent. Subject to reduction of ¼ of 1 per cent if boiler and burner are located in front of dashboard.

Commercial Motor Cars shall be written at the schedule rates and for amounts as provided for "private pleasure motor cars" in class No. 2.

Second-hand Cars.—Cars in hands of other than the original purchaser of the car, when new, shall in no case be insured for an amount in excess of the cost of same to the insured.

Motor Cars Figure in Many Messages

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 17-An urgent plea for the construction of good roads throughout Colorado has just been presented to the state legislature by Governor Elias M. Ammons, who was inaugurated January 14. This call for extensive highway improvement, which the new governor has given the most prominent place in his first message to the legislature, is as follows:

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Perhaps the most urgent necessity upon us at the present time for the advancement of farming, mining and all kinds of industrial pursuits is the construction of a systematic network of highways throughout the state. We have many sections of good roads, but in very few places are they properly connected. In order to carry out a harmonious plan we must first build the main arteries reaching all sections of the state and make connections with every locality easy.

To bring about such a result the work must be under the supervision of some efficient centralized body. Such a system would not only enable us to reach, settle up and develop every portion of our state, but it also would furnish the best possible means to secure the tourist travel now looking for an opportunity to visit

enable us to reach, settle up and develop every portion of our state, but it also would furnish the best possible means to secure the tourist travel now looking for an opportunity to visit the Rocky mountains. Even with our present disconnected system of highways, motor tourists are visiting most portions of the state and advertising to the world our wonderful variety of scenic beauty. We are especially favored with natural attractions and all we need to secure the lion's share of this travel is the construction of good roads.

In 1914 the transcontinental highways will be lined with motor cars, headed toward the Panama expositions on the Pacific coast, and unless we complete the main arterles of our systems by that time we can hope for but little of this trade. If we have our highways in good condition we may reasonably hope for most of it, because in no other place within the same amount of territory can so many seenic attractions be found. We will doubtless induce many people to build summer homes under the most inviting climatic conditions to be found anywhere, and no doubt many new permanent residents and much capital will be brought to us. Within the limits of our state we have a great variety of beautiful mountain parks, perhaps no two of which are alike. Roads connecting these must pass through constantly changing scenery of parks and groves and canyons, and, with our system of highways properly connected, tourists may spend an entire summer here and see something new and interesting each day.

To be ready for the advantages of 1915 we must commence work now, and I sincerely hope that the general assembly will make speedy arrangements for unlocking our road funds, secure the co-operation of the several counties, and such funds as may be enlisted from outside the state in the united harmonious effort to complete our road system at the earliest date possible.

To supplement the funds now available, we should continue to use the convicts at the penitentiary and reformatory, and there is hope of a considera

Ohio's Governor's Recommendations

Columbus, O., Jan. 20-Governor Cox in his first message to the Ohio general assembly recommended the passage of a law grading the fees to be charged for registration of motor cars on the horsepower developed. He recommended the codification of the road laws of Ohio in order that the conflicts and ambiguity should be removed.

He asked the adoption of a law re-

Governors Make Recommendations to the Various Legislatures

quiring the use of split log drags on the public highways. He asked for a law to improve the old National road from Bridgeport, the eastern terminus, across the state to Eaton, the western terminus.

State Highway Commission Marker of Ohio in his annual report submitted recently to Governor Harmon, urges that the necessary legislation be enacted to give the state authority to maintain and repair all inter-county roads, whether constructed by the state, county commissioners or township authorities. He thinks the state should pay a portion of the cost of bridges over these roads and that convict labor should be used in road construction and repair. If the county commissioners fail to make application for state aid to improve a particular road, Commissioner Marker believes the state should go ahead and not wait a year, as at present, for the township authorities to act. He indorses the proposed appropriation of \$1,760,000 to begin the construction of the inter-county system in the state of Ohio.

Views of Wisconsin Governor

Madison, Wis., Jan. 20-For the first time in the history of Wisconsin, the motor car, its use, operation and the consequences thereof received treatment in the biennial message of the governor of Wisconsin, at the opening of the 1913 Wisconsin legislature on January 9, and the manner in which Governor Francis E. Mc-Govern discussed the subject proves that in Wisconsin the motor car has been placed in the rank it deserves.

The governor arrives at the conclusion that after all the proper theory of taxing motor cars is on the basis of the effect their use and operation may result in by reason of wear and tear on roads. Thus, he suggests, the present uniform license fee of \$5 per car per year be changed so that owners be required to pay a fee based on the weight or horsepower, the lightest cars to pay the minimum and the heaviest and highest-powered cars to pay a maximum fee, which shall not be oppressive nor out of proportion, but reasonable and just, the principal underlying idea being to make the cars which involve the heaviest wear and tear on the streets and highways by reason of their weight or power pay the largest amount and giving the owners of the small cars the benefit of the lesser wear and tear they

The proceeds of this tax, the governor says, should accrue to the state highway fund, instead of being parcelled out pro

rata to the county as at present, so that there may be more intelligent and efficient work in the direction of constructing and maintaining lines of traffic in continuity, to connect the principal villages and cities of the state and eventually result in a system of state highways. Under the present system, whereby the net proceeds of the motor car registration tax goes back to the county of origin, he says the funds are frequently frittered away and a few short stretches of road constructed which begin nowhere and end nowhere and are not of much use.

The employment of Wisconsin convicts in the building of permanent highways is urgently advocated by the governor, and this, his first declaration in favor of convict labor in highway construction, forms a feature of his message.

It is interesting to note that the very first bill introduced in the 1913 legislature was senate bill No. 1, appropriating \$450,-000 in addition to sums already appropriated for state aid to road building, making the total annual appropriation for 1913 the sum of \$800,000.

Delaware Wants Commissioner

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 20-Governor Pennewill, in his biennial message to the general assembly, recommends the establishment of a state commissioner of motor vehicles, whose duty it shall be to issue the licenses for all motor vehicles and their operators and have general supervision over the use of such vehicles in the state, the chief object, aside from relieving the secretary of state of the duty of issuing the licenses, being to provide a state officer who can give direct attention to the enforcement of the law in the state of Maryland.

North Dakota's Views

Bismarck, N. D., Jan. 18-Governor L. B. Hanna of North Dakota in his inaugural address devoted much space to the motor car and good roads. Inasmuch as it costs the farmer more to haul a bushel of wheat 15 miles over an average North Dakota road than it does to ship it by freight to Minneapolis or Duluth from his station, the governor considered the subject carefully. When the income from motor licenses amounting to \$30,000 a year is apportioned now among the counties the governor said that it amounts to little to any one county. He suggested amendment of the constitution to authorize issue of road bonds, which would take 6 years to become a law. By that time the tax would be \$100,000 a year, which would pay the interest on \$1,000,000 bonds at 4 per cent and leave \$60,000 for a sinking fund. He said at least part of the state convicts might be employed on roads in the summer, those who have merited the warden's confidence.

Four Concerns in Receivers' Hands

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 18—Upon the application of Valentine & Co., of New York, dealers in oils and varnishes, Daniel McLarin was named receiver for the Columbus Buggy Co., of Columbus, by Judge Sater in the United States court late today. Mr. McLarin took charge of the large plant of the concern, located on Dublin avenue, almost immediately and announced that no let-up in operations would take place. In its petition Valentine & Co., allege assets of \$1,000,000 and liabilities approximating \$600,000.

The Columbus Buggy Co. was a reorganization of a concern of the same name which has operated a carriage factory in the Buckeye capital for more than a quarter of a century. C. D. Firestone is president; C. E. Firestone, secretary; J. F. Firestone, vice-president, and O. H. Perry, treasurer. It has preferred stock to the amount of \$1,300,000 and common stock to the amount of \$300,000.

It is alleged that many of the debts of the company are overdue and threats of litigation have seriously impaired the credit of the concern. This it is alleged has endangered the creditors' claims and a receiver was believed necessary. It is stated that vehicles, both horse-drawn and motor-driven to the number of 100 are being built and contracted for which will amount to about \$1,250,000. Stockholders are expecting a reorganization of the concern which will eliminate the present management.

Receiver McLarin, who is a brother-inlaw of C. E. Firestone, qualified by giving bond in the sum of \$100,000.

FRANK E. SMITH RESIGNS

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 20—The resignation of Frank E. Smith as general manager of the Newcastle plant of the Maxwell-Briscoe Motor Co. has been announced, and will become effective with the approval by the United States court of the recent sale of the Maxwell properties. Mr. Smith has not announced his future plans, but expects to continue in the motor car field. He has been coreceiver in Indiana for the United States Motor Co. and also is president of the Indiana Automobile Manufacturers' Association.

RECEIVER FOR RANDOLPH

Chicago, Jan. 20—Proceedings in involuntary bankruptcy have been instigated, involving the Randolph Motor Car Co., of Chicago and Flint, Mich., a corporation of Delaware. The petition was filed January 3 by the Mercantile Printing Co., and Charles Cramer, C. Klare, and one Robyn, the last three commission salesmen; and recorded January 8. The Central Trust Co., of Chicago was appointed receiver for the district of Illinois and southern Michigan. The receiver has applied to the court for an order of sale.

Columbus Buggy, Randolph, Searchlight Gas, Michigan Magneto in Courts

The corporation is capitalized at \$100,000. Mr. Bohlbach, speaking for the receiver, expressed himself as of the opinion that the company was unquestionably insolvent, despite a contrary assertion by Attorneys Lipson & Levy to the contrary. He ascribed this condition to the lack of sufficient capital to float the business over the difficulties of a dull season. The accounts of the company have been found in such a condition that an accurate appraisal of the assets and liabilities has been found impossible after over a week of scrutiny. In the meantime further manufacture has been discontinued although repairs are being furnished present owners.

TIRE MAKER SERVES NOTICE

New York, Jan. 20—The Batavia Rubber Co., claiming several concerns are building tires that closely resemble the Security non-skid, has served notice on the Seamless Rubber Co., Kelly-Racine Rubber Co., United and Globe Rubber Mfg. Co., Stein-Laplock Tire Co. and the C. H. Stoddard Rubber Tire Works that it will defend its rights in the courts if need be.

RECEIVER FOR SEARCHLIGHT NAMED

Chicago, Jan. 20—Friendly receivership has been adopted as a means of a complete reorganization by the Searchlight Gas Co., of Warren, O., whose general offices are in Chicago. Upon the petition of the Continental and Commercial National Bank of Chicago, Horace B. Pearson was appointed receiver by United States Judge William L. Day. The bank appraises the liabilities of the company at \$200,000, part of which is in notes due, and assets to the amount of \$400,000, not all of which is available for immediate conversion into cash.

The present financial condition is not one of insolvency, but of temporary embarrassment, and is attributed by the receiver to the service expansion that has been carried on by the concern in such volume as to exceed the adequacy of the capital of the company. As the maintenance of service stations is one of the principal essentials of the business, this expansion is regarded as indispensable to the welfare of the business, and it is thought that a general rehabilitation of the financial condition of the company will be beneficial. The receiver has been instructed to continue active business.

MICHIGAN MAGNETO CO. BANKRUPT

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 20—The Michigan Magneto Co., doing business at 117 Bagley avenue, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court at Detroit. Upon petition of the Stackpole Battery Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa., Judge Arthur J. Tuttle has appointed Charles C. Simons receiver with orders to sell the property of the company January 30 at 10 o'clock in the morning. Simons' bond as receiver has been fixed at \$5,000.

In its petition to be declared bankrupt the company set up that it owes debts which it is unable to pay in full and that it is willing to surrender such property as is not exempt under the bankruptcy laws for the benefit of its creditors. Its debts include \$44.73 as taxes due the city of Detroit and \$135.17 as wages due employes. The liabilities are given as \$31,050.26 and the assets as \$28,415.85.

In the list of unsecured creditors appears the name of J. S. Bretz company, of New York, \$5,027.25, notes, and the Reo Motor Car Co., of Lansing, \$800, notes. The company declares that outside of the list of assets given there are assets totaling \$7,902.05, of which the greater portion is doubtful or uncollectable.

KNOX COMPANY REORGANIZING

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 22—Special telegram—The Knox Automobile Co., of this city, which has been operated under the trusteeship for the past 4 months, due to technicalities caused by the death of the late A. T. Mayo, treasurer of the company, is at present on the eve or reorganization with increased capital. When such is complete will be known as the Knox Motor Car Co.

Sufficient new capital is already subscribed to make it possible for the company to largely increase its output and to further facilitate this the number of passenger car models will be reduced and their output proportionately increased. In order to achieve the formation of the Knox Motor Car Co., it will be necessary for formal bankruptcy proceedings during which, however, it will not be necessary to cease manufacturing operations.

EMISE TO BUILD A CAR

New York, Jan. 31-Several members of the old Lozier organization and one or two who are not at present connected with the concern have organized a company to manufacture a counterpart of the present Lozier light six under the name of the Emise Motor Car Co. It is understood that the company will be formed in Cleveland, O., and that the car will be made to sell at a figure below \$2,000. Officers of the new company will include C. A. Emise, sales manager of the Lozier company; Sam Regar, former treasurer; W. S. Mead, sales manager of the New York Lozier branch and F. C. Chandier, former second vice-president of the Lozier company. The engineer will be T. V. Whitback. Organization plans contemplate the manufacture of about 5,000 cars for the coming year.

Seitz Takes Over Grabowsky Assets

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 18—Stockholders of the Seitz Automobile Transmission Co., of Wyandotte, have purchased the property of the bankrupt Grabowsky Power Wagon Co., of Detroit, with the exception of the buildings and machinery, and will begin operations in a separate plant at Wyandotte Monday. The Wyandotte plant is to manufacture the Grabowsky truck. The Seitz company officers are to resign and the company is to be reorganized and is to become successor to the Grabowsky company.

For the present George A. Horner, who has been manager of the Grabowsky Detroit plant for the creditors, will be general manager of the Grabowsky plant at Wyandotte. The factory at Wyandotte, in which the Grabowsky trucks will be manufactured for the present, is two stories in height and 325 by 60 feet in dimensions. About 100 men are being employed in this department at the present time.

The sale of the assets to the Seitz stockholders was made by Referee Lee Joslyn, of the bankruptcy department of the United States court at Detroit and the sale has been confirmed. The assets not covered in the Seitz transaction were purchased by Samuel Winternitz & Co., of Chicago.

OVERLAND HAS FIRE LOSS

Toledo, O., Jan. 18-Nine motor cars and six freight cars were included in the :\$8,000 loss incurred when fire destroyed a big loading dock at the Willys-Overland factory, Wednesday night. The blaze started at 7:30 o'clock and lasted several hours. Five box cars and a flat car loaded with motor cars for foreign shipment, and two box cars containing motor cars for domestic shipment were on the track and were partially burned. The fire is thought to have started in the tool room where craters were at work with excelsior and packings. The private fire department of the Willys-Overland Co. did magnificent work or the loss probably would have been much greater. The loss was covered by insurance.

STUDEBAKER TO MAKE TRUCKS

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 20—The Studebaker Corporation announces its intention of marketing, during the coming year, a complete line of gasoline commercial cars, ranging in size from light delivery wagons to high-duty trucks. These models are links in the chain of four chassis types which, with varying gear ratios, frames, tires and bodies will cover a range of from 1,500 to 12,000 pounds. The other models are now undergoing test at Detroit. The Studebaker designs are by Albert F. Mais, who took charge of this department more than a year ago.

A distinctive feature of all models is

Wyandotte Concern Will Become Successor to Defunct Truck Company

the internal-gear drive. The power unit, composed of motor, clutch, transmission, steering gear and control levers, is provided with rings by which the entire unit can be easily lifted out and replaced. The front axle is a unit in itself, as is the rear axle, the load-carrying part of which is forged and of I-beam construction. Frames are flexible, with integral gussets for carrying cross members. The new trucks have four speeds, three sets of brakes, an expanding shoe clutch, metal to metal, and carry a large safety factor in all models. Designer Mais has placed the automatic governor on the countershaft

At first, Studebaker trucks will be sold only in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco, through truck departments added to the respective branches. The bodies will be built in the corporation's South Bend plants.

DAY COMPANY ELECTION

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 20—At the annual meeting of the Day Automobile Co. the following officers were elected: President, Thomas W. Day; director and factory manager, A. W. A. Bartlett; secretary, William S. Power; treasurer, John E. Murphy; director, William J. Emery. The company, which was recently formed, manufactures a utility car, a combination of a pleasure car and a commercial car, and beginning February 1, expects to turn out at least three cars a week. It is planned to make between 200 and 300 cars this year. Arrangements are under way to increase the working capital.

NEW RUBBER CONCERN ORGANIZING

Akron, O., Jan. 20—The Mohawk Rubber Co., with a capitalization of \$350,000 is to be organized in a few days. Of this amount \$250,000 will be common stock and \$100,000 7 per cent cumulative proferred stock. Organizers of the new company are R. M. Pillmore, J. K. Williams and S. S. Miller.

The new company will purchase the real estate, buildings, machinery and plant of the Stein Double Cushion Tire Co., located in East Akron, which consists of about 2½ acres of land, a factory in good condition, switching facilities and water, having a capacity of from seventy-five to 100 tires per day.

MANSFIELD COMPANY ELECTION

Mansfield, O., Jan. 20—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mansfield Tire and Rubber Co., at Mansfield, O., the following officers were elected; Judge C. T. Grant, of Akron, president; G. W.

Henne, vice-president and general manager; Jesse E. LaDow, secretary; W. F. Henne, treasurer. These with Dimon Herring, William Isaly, Charles Hoffman and John Schauer of Troy will comprise the board of the ensuing year.

The report made to the board shows that since the company has been actually running for 6 months it has made a net earning of 12½ per cent on the stock issued, which amount carried into the business of the company and a stock dividend of 10 per cent was declared out of the stock in the treasury.

The board of directors ordered \$8,000 worth of new additional machinery purchased of the latest type and this will be installed yet this month if possible.

FIRE IN BUICK PLANT

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 18—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the brass and aluminum foundry of the Buick company at Flint yesterday with a loss estimated at \$50,000. The foundry will be rebuilt at once and only a few men will be laid off temporarily. The loss of the foundry will not hamper the Buick plant to any extent as enough castings are on hand to run the plant until arrangements can be made for getting more. The burned foundry was known as factory No. 15.

MAXWELL OFFICES MOVING

New York, Jan. 20—Controlling interests of the United States Motor Co. have leased offices in the United States Rubber building on Columbus circle, which will be used for the New York headquarters of the new Maxwell Motor Co. as the reorganized company eventually will be known. The principal executive offices of the big holding corporation will be located at Detroit.

A fourth and final assessment of \$16.80 a share on the preferred and common stocks of the United States Motor Co. and the subsidiary Columbia Motor Car Co. is payable February 3 at the Central Trust Co. This represents 70 per cent of the \$24 assessment.

FINDLAY PLANT SOLD

Findlay, O., Jan. 18—The Findlay Motor Co. plant was sold Thursday, to J. G. Cleary, of Milwaukee, Wis., for \$50,000. The sale was made under orders from the United States court at Toledo, and sold for just the price the court stated should be the lowest bid that could be accepted. The company was promoted by L. E. Ewing, of Cleveland, who secured \$100,000 of local capital. The company has been in the hands of John M. Barr, as receiver, since September 19, 1911.

It is the intention of Mr. Cleary to dismantle the plant and remove the machinery to Milwaukee, Wis., where it will be used in other industries.

French Motorists Insist Taxes They Pay

PARIS, Jan. 6—"We pay well and we ought to be treated well," was the text of a speech by Marquis de Dion at the French chamber of deputies, in favor of an increase in the allowance for road maintenance. Marquis de Dion pointed out that French road users last year paid \$18,000,000 in taxes of all kinds, and of this sum only \$6,000,000 had been used for the upkeep of roads and \$12,000,000 for various other purposes. This total of \$18,000,000 comprised the special taxes on horses, mules, carts, motor cars and bicycles, also a proportion of the taxes on gasoline and lubricating oils. It therefore

is a special tax paid exclusively by road users, but only 33 per cent of the amount is used for the benefit of the persons having contributed to the tax. It was convincingly proved that the allowances for road maintenance have not been in proportion to the increase in traffic and to the amount paid by the users of the road in France.

Collections in 1882

In 1882, when motor cars did not exist and bicycles were not taxed, the amount obtained from road users was \$2,936,377, and the expenditure on road maintenance \$5,207,165. Ten years later taxes paid by

road users only reached a total of \$3,409,063, and the expenditure on road upkeep was \$5,487,633. In 1902, by which date there were 10,000 private cars in France, the income from road users was \$4,898,679, exclusive of gasoline taxes, and the amount spent on road maintenance was \$5,787,325, small in comparison with what is spent nowadays.

In 1911, the latest year for which statistics are available, the road taxes amount to \$18,072,729, of which amount \$11,600,000 was obtained from gasoline and oil consumed by motor cars and \$6,472,729 in payment of direct road taxes. Notwith-

S TREAM-LINE bodies are the present European craze. The problem that designers have set themselves is to produce a body which will offer the smallest amount of head resistance, which will have an unbroken line from radiator cap to rear spring hanger, and which will provide these advantages without any loss of seating capacity or any reduction of baggage-carrying space. It is a difficult problem, for stream lines generally entail a serious sacrifice of the conveniences attending more orthodox body construction.

Turcat-Mery, one of the leading French car firms, has made a contribution to this class of car of such a nature that the

Extreme Ideas on Stream-Line Bodies

term original is thoroughly justified. The chassis is a standard 40-horsepower touring model and the body a four-passenger one. Unlike the ordinary type of body, it is impossible to divide this construction to its components of bonnet, body, running boards, fenders, and hood—yet all these units exist. The sides of the body are built out so as to encase the running boards. Thus the sides are vertical for the greater portion of their height, then to meet the ends of the seats.

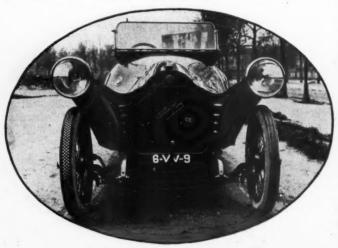
The width of the seating accommoda-

tion is practically that of the frame, as on an ordinary car; in other words the body overhangs but the passengers do not. There are two doors on each side, with invisible hinges and fasteners, the method of opening the door being to give an outward pull of the whole door, then swing it on its hinges. A full width running board is available, but it is not visible until the door is opened. There

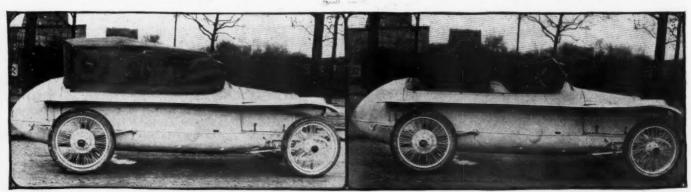
is the advantage that baggage carried on the running board is inside the car and therefore fully protected. Obviously the brake and change-speed levers come inside the body, even although the chassis design places them right outside the frame members.

On the outside of the front left-hand seat, a series of drawers is built up on the running board, the bottom drawer being on the board and the top one under the inswept side panel. These drawers can carry all the spares and tools a modern car requires and could not be more conveniently situated. The gasoline tank is under the dashboard, a projecting neck being fitted to the filler for convenience in replenishing. Spilled gasoline will flow on to the foot boards, and not onto the varnished body.

While the distinctive type of Turcat-Mery radiator is maintained, the bonnet is merged into the body to such an extent that it loses its identity. As can best be seen from the illustrations, the lower portion of the bonnet flares out into the front fenders. The electric headlights form an integral part of the fenders in a manner than can be better understood by reference to the illustration than by a verbal description. The two side lamps form eyes in the scuttle dash. Viewed



NOTE HEADLIGHTS ON TURCAT-MERY



TURCAT METHOD OF PUTTING TOP ON NOVEL STREAM-LINE BODY IT MAKES

Should Be Used on Road Improvement

standing the great increase in revenue, the amount voted for the upkeep of highways was only \$6,100,000. In other words, the gasoline tax alone was nearly double the amount spent on road maintenance in the French republic.

Campaign Is Successful

The campaign for better roads appears about to be successful, for although the government would not accept the proposal of Marquis de Dion to increase the grant for road maintenance to \$7,200,000, it was announced that in addition to the budget of \$6,853,800 there would be a special credit of \$1,600,000 to be used for the

reconstruction of deteriorated highways during the year 1913, which is good news for French motorists.

During the parliamentary debate on the taxation problem it was pointed out that a 15-horsepower car covering annually 13,000 miles paid \$99 in taxation to the state, and, if used in Paris, an additional sum of \$61. A 25-horsepower car contributed \$163 annually to the state and \$93 to the city of Paris if owned in the city. A 40-horsepower car covering a mileage of 22,000 in the year paid \$258 to the state and \$150 went into the coffers of the city of Paris.

The amount per kilometer spent on road maintenance in 1882 was \$138.70; in 1892 it was \$145; in 1902 it was \$152, and in 1911 it had been increased to \$159.20. This applies to the 38,230 kilometers of national highway only, local roads not being considered. The figures show a slight increase, but this is only just sufficient to cover the increased cost of labor and material. In very many districts the actual allowance has been decreased and even in the districts where an increase has been provided for it is explained by special repair work necessitated by years of insufficient credit.

as Brought Out by French Designers

head on, there is a certain resemblance to a shark, and it is this title which has been given to the body.

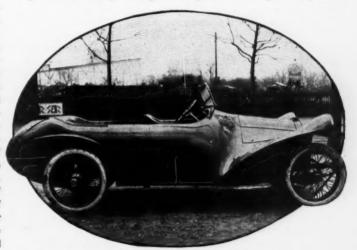
The peculiarity of the rear construction is the egg-shaped stern and the invisible top. The top is of quite an ordinary type, but owing to the outward sweep of the body it comes inside this latter when lowered, being covered up at the back by the lid over the egg-shaped stern and at the sides by a couple of small wood panels. This design has been patented by Henri Rougier, who will be remembered as one of the early French race drivers. The four seats come within the wheelbase of the car. Set across the car, back of the rear seats, are a couple of spare wheels, these being rendered accessible by lifting off the panel on the top of the "egg," the removal of this panel also laying the hood bare.

Back of the spare wheels, still inside the egg-shaped stern, is a large sized locker. It is capable of taking a couple of grips, but owing to it being right outside the wheelbase, it would be best used for bulky but light wraps and coats. Even the tail lamp is included inside the body, for it consists of a small electric lamp within the rear locker reflecting on glass figures let into the egg-shaped stern. To complete the stream lines, the under-

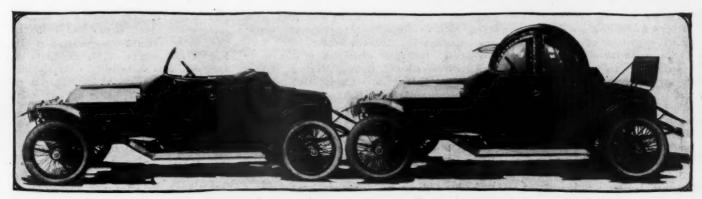
pan is made to harmonize with the main portion of the body. There is a fairly high clearance and no break underneath to set up eddies.

A dome-shaped two-seater inside steering body of an original type has been produced by the Phoenix body works, in Paris. Ignoring the top, the car is a two-seater torpedo with an emergency seat at the rear. All the originality, however, lies in the top, which is an all metal dome construction built in two parts and having

side windows. The two halves of the dome top are pivoted at a common center on the rearmost door post, and can be swung down so as to go behind the seats, disappearing in the space provided between the back of the seats and the inside of the body. The forward half of the dome is of a slightly smaller diameter than the rear portion and fits inside this latter when both are lowered. Three positions are possible; a fully closed body; rear half of the dome swung behind the seats; and both portions swung down, leaving only the windscreen in position. This screen is attached to the top of the scuttle dash, thus remaining in position when the whole top has disappeared. When the car is used as a closed vehicle the front portion of the dome slides into the framework of the windscreen; this latter can always be adjusted for angle, whether the car is used as an open or closed vehicle. It is claimed that the complete weight of the body is 440 pounds.



SIDE VIEW OF EGG-SHAPED BODY ON TURCAT



DOME-SHAPED TWO-SEATER WHICH CAN BE USED AS EITHER AN OPEN OR INCLOSED VEHICLE

Engineers Hear Papers and Discussions

N EW YORK, Jan. 18—The winter meeting of the Society of Automobile Engineers ended at noon today after 3 days of very profitable discussion by the engineers interested in the industry, who had been gathered here by the double attraction of the national show and the society's meeting. The first day was devoted to business and professional sessions, the chief interest of which was the election of officers. The afternoon was devoted to reports of the various divisions of the standards committee, while the evening was given over to a commercial vehicle session. Friday morning and afternoon witnessed two more professional sessions, while the evening was given over to the annual society dinner in the Louis XVI restaurant at the Hotel McAlpin. The meeting closed with a Saturday morning session in which technical papers were discussed. The day-by-day report of the professional sessions is given below:

In addition to a general business session on the opening morning of the society's meeting, reports of several divisions of the standards committee and of the electric lighting committee were read and acted upon.

Report of Broaches Division

The third report of the broaches division was read by its chairman, C. W. Spicer, president Spicer Mfg. Co. The report was short and was characterized as essentially one of progress. There was no discussion, no new points being brought out which had not been touched upon in the general meeting of the standards committee on the day previous. There was no new data presented for consideration. The manufacture of broaches and splined shafts is still in its development stage and there is an increasing tendency toward the hobbing of splined shafts. The depth to which straight parallel sides can be cut by this hobbing method for six splined shafts seems limited and this may necessitate the changing of the tables relating to this work which have already been accepted by the society. It may be necessary to modify the form of the splines or to supersede the present tables by some dealing with a greater number of splines of a shallower cut. The depth is some function of the number of splines and the diameter of the shaft. The time during which the committee has been considering this point has been too limited to arrive at any definite conclusions as yet. The dimensions which have been adopted for squares and tapers seem to be meeting with approval by the manufacturers, Mr. Spicer said. The report was accepted as one of progress.

Chairman A. L. Riker's report of the proceedings of the miscellaneous division featured the modification of the table of magneto dimensions accepted at the 1912

Standardization of Magneto Dimensions Is Important— Electric Light Sizes

annual meeting of the society so as to read as follows:

FOUR AND SIX-CYLINDER	MAGI	NETOS
	MM.	Inches.
Shaft height Distance from center 2 front base-plate holes to large end		1.771
of shaft taper Distance from center front baseplate holes to rear base-	53.	2.086
plate holes	50.	1.968
plate holes left to right Large diameter	50. 15.	1.968
	12.	.472
Length of taper	15.	.590
11 degrees 30 minutes ap-		
proximately.		
Woodruff key No. 3	000	0.000
Height of magneto space		8.000
Length of magneto space	204. 107	10.000
Width of magneto space	6.35	5.000
Plain hole timing lever Tapped hole timing lever, ¼ inch 28 pitch S. A. E.	6.00	.25
Base-plate holes, % inch, 16 pitch P. U. S. F.		
Thread for end of magneto		
shaft % inch, 16 pitch		
U. S. F., length of thread,		
Advance lever radius 2.125		

The first nine items of this table remain unchanged from the former table, while those referring to the heighths, widths and lengths of magneto spaces have been combined so that there is only one size of space, regardless of whether the design is for the accommodation of a four or a six-cylinder magneto. The specification for base plate holes has been changed to % inch, 16 pitch, U. S. F., as here noted. The only added points are for the thread for the end of the magneto shaft and for the advance lever radius.

In the report, the S. A. E. standard yoke and rod ends were taken up and it was recommended that certain plain yoke ends be added to the list standardized. That is, ends which are plain as differentiated from ball-and-socket types. It was further recommended that the specifications for the tensile strength and elastic limit of the standard screw thread material as previously fixed upon be stricken from the standards for the reason that the society should not dictate as to the quality of materials used, but rather should confine its specifications as to dimensions.

Discuss Miscellaneous Report

In the short discussion of the paper which followed, Howard Marmon, of Nordyke & Marmon, explained that the new recommended standard end is similar to the present adjustable end which has an extremely long clevice, except that it has a shorter end for use where such a long clevice is not required for adjustment.

The question of the practicability of the S. A. E. standard screw threads was brought up for discussion by the president. There seems to be some difficulty

in using these standards for small sizes, some makers having to go back to the U. S. standards in these sizes. J. O. Heinze, of the Northway Motor Co., stated that in the plant with which he is connected the U. S. standards are used in cast iron and aluminum work, while the S. A. E. threads are used for nut ends and the like. Mr. Marmon expressed substantially the same opinion on this point. It developed that in its fixing of these thread standards the division has already recognized that the S. A. E. threads are impractical for cast iron and aluminum.

A. L. Riker, of Locomobile company, in speaking of the striking out of the physical specifications for elastic limit and tensile strength, stated that there has been considerable feeling among the manufacturers of screws that this should be omitted, for the reason that those working to the S. A. E. standards in other respects did not want to pay the additional price made necessary by this demand for such high-class material. It is the opinion of these screw makers that the physical properties of the material should be left to each engineer. The miscellaneous division's report was accepted as read.

Report of Electric Lighting Committee

Alexander Churchward, chairman of the committee on electric lighting and its allied features, read a report which primarily recommended a very open discussion in the meeting of the subject of single and double wiring systems so that the views of the engineers could be incorporated in the later recommendations of the committee. These two systems differ in that the single-wire system makes use of a ground for the return circuit, while the two-wire type uses a metallic return.

It was recommended that electric light bulbs be standardized and known as 7-volt lamps. These are to have an efficiency of f.1 watts per candle at voltages ranging from 6.5 to 7 volts. The size for headlights was standardized for the 21 inch size and capable of being focused in a reflector of 71/2 inches focal length or greater. Diameter of side and rear lights are fixed at 1 inch. Battery makers are to be circularized with the view of arriving at two standard overall heights and widths of storage batteries for motor cars so as to give three standard plate sizes from which batteries of any capacity can be made by simply increasing the overall battery length. Lighting system manufacturers are also to be circularized to fix standards for fuses and dimensions for boxes. The report also touched upon the consideration of dimmers for headlights as suggested by legislation now in force or under consideration.

Detailed Report of S. A. E. Meeting

The discussion on the subject of twowire versus single wire installations indicated that the manufacturers of motor cars and also the makers of electrical apparatus will welcome the system of single wiring if it can be conclusively shown that its use is advantageous and not attendant with power loss and difficulty of maintaining proper grounds.

A. L. Riker stated that the electric lighting of motor cars is today in the same position as that occupied by the electric lighting industry in general 25 years ago. We should be able to adopt something as standard which will live and to profit by the experiences of the older and allied lighting industry. The single-wire system eliminates many of the present troubles, he said. Its difficulties of good ground return are more theoretical than actual. In favoring the single-wire system Riker added that if it is possible to eliminate some of the elements and fixtures now called for with the present double-wire systems, the modern automobile would look less like an electrical supply store and more like a real machine. The matter should be given deep consideration and not discarded without fair trial.

Favors Ground Return

A. L. McMurtry, of the Aristos Co., stated that he has come to the conclusion that the single-wire arrangement is undoubtedly the simpler, especially in locating trouble. There is only one wire from the switch and only one to each of the lamps. In case of a short circuit, there is only one wire to disconnect, while with the two-wire system there are two to be considered unless it so happens that the right one is struck the first time. With a first-class grounded system there is less loss than in the poorly wired two-wire system grounded directly to the frame, said McMurtry.

R. H. Manson, of the Dean Electric Co., gave it as his opinion that any changing in systems should be done immediately rather than in the future, looking at the matter from the standpoint of the manufacturer. The single-wire system requires a bulb with a different base than the twowire system lamp, so that the present, lamp, with which supply stores everywhere are stocked, would be of no use, and it would take some time to effect the change in the dealers' stocks. In advocating the single-wire system, he cited the telephone circuit as an instance of a grounded system working satisfactorily, even though

Howard Coffin, of Hudson, advanced the point that the proof is in the eating and that he saw no reason for the retention of the present wiring if the other will work equally as well. Mr. McMurtry stated that half the troubles with lamps today is due to the delicate connections

Comparative Data on Performance of Trucks With Regard to Size of Engine

made necessary with bulbs for the twowire outfits. This becomes especially frail in the smaller sizes of lamps. The singlewire system would make use of very much simpler bases and sockets-the construction would be much more substantial.

Alexander Churchward, of General Electric Co., brought out another point when he said that in the case of grounds the single-wire system is bound to blow out something immediately the ground defect is made, while with the present system in the case of a ground there is only a slight leak, which is not immediately noticeable and which will gradually sulphate a battery and thus drain it almost unnoticeably.

Car Compared to Office Building

J. O. Heinze was practically the only engineer who was somewhat opposed to the system, stating that in the great office building, for instance, we would no? think of using one side of the building for a ground return. The two-wire arrangement he said gives twice the reliability.

E. T. Birdsall cited the example of the steel battleship which grounds all the electric lighting circuits on the steel hulls. Mr. Manson advanced the counter argument that in the steel building there are so many different kinds of circuits that insulating them is necessary. Such installations are not analogous to the much simpler car wiring systems, he said. In closing the discussion, Mr. Churchward stated also that the steel building illustration does not apply to motor car electric practice. All circuits in such cases are fed from the same mains, while in the car there are separate circuits for each unit. The report finally was adopted as read.

Trends of Foreign Design Low-Grade Fuel for Commercial

Vehicles—Solid vs. Pneumatlc Tires for Trucks

NEW YORK, Jan. 16-Members of the Society of Automobile Engineers at their regular meeting this evening devoted their attention to the commercial vehicle field. Four papers were presented and three set topics were discussed, nearly all of these precipitating lively discussions by the members present.

Papers presented were: Comparative data on performance of motor trucks with regard to the motor and gear ratios, by Cornelius T. Myers; low-grade fuel for motor trucks, by N. B. Pope, of Automobile Topics; tendency of foreign motor

truck design, by Lowell C. Freeman, and comparative results with solid and pneumatic tires on light commercial vehicles, by B. B. Bachman, of the Autocar company. The topics set for discussion by the engineers were worm gears, motor starters for commercial vehicles and metal wheels.

MOTOR CAPACITY FOR MOTOR TRUCKS
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Two years ago I was called upon to make a report on the gasoline motor trucks exhibited at the New York show, for three concerns about to purchase in all nine trucks, varying in espacity from 2 to 5 tons. I was impressed by what I considered the large size of the motors installed to drive most of the trucks, and I tried to find out from several makers the points which governed their designers in the selection of the particular size and type of motor. I got almost no satisfaction and was inclined to think that in some cases the size was an approximation somewhat on the order of the old rolling-mill formula of, calculate it big enough and then multiply it by two.

Having done some little estimating myself on this point, I got together as much as I could of the data necessary for making a comparison of the rated motive power furnished with the various trucks, in relation to the duty to be performed. I compared these figures to see whether there was any uniformity, but found little to show that any particular rule had been followed. In scanning the details of the various trucks, however, I was not so surprised at this, for there was also evident in other features of design a considerable divergence in the ideal before the designer.

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I think I can say without fear of contradiction that all machine design is a compromise. If you will admit this, I think you also will agree with me when I say that the design of our beloved motor truck is a compound of compromises. Large wheels mean easy riding, less power and more road clearance; but an increase in unsprung weight, higher body platforms and greater first cost. Large sprockets mean lighter chain tension and less wear; but greater cost, less road clearance, and in some cases lower efficiency. Inswept fronts of frames allow a shorter turning radius, but mean increased axle stresses and less room under the hood or floorboards. Large motors afford power to overcome abnormally bad road conditions at high speeds; but entail heavier construction and more dead weight, more expensive transmission systems, greater fuel consumption and tire expense, higher maintenance expense or depreciation charges, and greater manufacturing cost.

These instances can be multiplied tenfold by going into the details of construction, and it is not hard to appreciate that a large amount of information and data is necessary in determining which point shall be favored in a compromise; and that very good judgment must be used in order to design a motor truck that is to be a commercial success—the acid test of all design.

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Reliable data is what we most need to make steady progress. F-A-C-T-S, each letter a bold-faced capital, must be demanded; and neverhave I had to contend with fewer facts and more fancies than in my connection with the motor truck industry. Correct ideals, based on a careful study and analysis of the conditions underlying motor truck design, are essential; and the whole must be tempered by good business judgment of market conditions, and a never-failing appreciation of that old saw—the more haste the less speed, and I might add, the lighter pocketbook.

But in some cases it is hard to get absolute and authoritative data—and the motor truck designer faces many such. In the absence of some of these facts, we must proceed with caution toward a well-chosen ideal; certain standards must be assumed and experiments then carried on to check these standards and collect positive data.

I find but meager data on which to base the selection of motor sizes for trucks. This is the more regrettable, in my opinion, because I believe that this point will have a very considerable bearing on the development and general expansion of the motor truck industry. At our meeting last summer, Mr. Batzell presented a paper covering gasoline motor characteristics in a very thorough manner, and he advocated the adoption of motors much smaller than the average practice in motor trucks today. I will outline some of the conditions which must be considered in making the select

tion, and give the results of some work I have done along this line.

In order to operate a motor truck, its motor must be large enough to overcome a total resistance composed of five items:

1—The resistance due to the friction in the component parts of the transmission system. In chain driven trucks this is generally based on an average efficiency of 70 per cent. This, I think, can be bettered now that the owners and drivers more fully appreciate the large returns to be netted by a little careful and regular attention to working parts, and now that designers understand the essential requirements of the transmission system in the way of proportion and suspension—the best compromise for those marts.

2—Wind resistance. This is almost negligible except in the cases of high-speed delivery wagons and fire apparatus.

3—Acceleration. This is generally covered if the motor can easily overcome the other items, and provided the gearbox is properly designed.

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4—Grade resistance. It goes almost without saying that the truck should be able to ascend light grades without shifting gears, unless the road resistance in item 5 is unusually high. The truck, fully loaded, should be able to take grades up to 3 per cent in high gear on good pavement.

5—Road Resistance. This is the most important and complex item of the five. It will depend upon the total weight of the loaded machine, the character of the road surface, the diameter and width and compound of the tires, and the diameter and type of the wheel bearings.

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A. E. horsepower.

This gives the tractive effort in tons of total weight on the tires, for a transmission efficiency of 70 per cent.

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$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{23.52 \times d^2 \times s \times R}{2}$$

E = Tractive effort in pounds—d cylinder bore.
T = Total weight in tons—s cylinder stroke.
D = Diameter of driving tires—R gear reduction

Developing Tractive Factor

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4 and 5. Grade resistance is readily reduced to an equivalent resistance factor by dividing the percentage by 100. Three per cent grade = 0.030. I think the average resistance for a macadam road can be taken at 35 pounds per ton = a resistance factor of 0.0475, which, added to the grade, gives a total resistance factor of 0.0475. This is the measure of the power required of the motor when working under the conditions given above, and to which the tractive factor should be equal.

Motor Capacity and Weight

Referring now to the actual tractive factors of the 1911 show trucks. Under average level road conditions these motors would be operating at the following percentages of their S. A. E. load ratings—21, 24, 24.8, 28.4. As against these figures the motor having a tractive factor of 0.0475 would be operating at 38.6 per cent of full load; or, the 1911 motors were respectively 75 per cent, 52 per cent, 48 per cent and 28 per cent larger than necessary. If the greater part of the routes of a large majority of these trucks is over pavements having a lower resistance factor than 0.0175, the overabundance of power is magnified, and by plotting these figures against the fuel consumption curve of the motor, the possible increase in gasoline mileage will be found to be very marked.

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Coming now to the trucks exhibited and offered for sale in 1912, the figures given below show some improvement, but it is not a very

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	Percentage of Average Load	Excess Motor	Tractive
Size	on Motor	Capacity	Factor
1-Ton		66.0	0.0788
2-Ton	26.3	39.0	0.0664
3-Ton	28.8	27.0	0.0607
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While I do not claim that conditions in this country are the same as those in France, I think it will do no harm to set down here by way' of comparison the tractive factors which French engineers have considered the best suited for economical truck operation. I give below comparative figures which to me are very interesting in the light of the results obtained in the matters of mileage per gallon of fuel, and total thre mileage. These figures are averages of all but a few of the trucks which competed at the 1912 trials conducted by the French war office, and most of the trucks bear the names of firms celebrated throughout the world as masters in "construction automobile."

	Percentage of Average Load	Excess Motor	Tractive
Size '	on Motor	Capacity	Factor
21/2-Ton	45.0	-19.0	0.390
3 1/4 - Ton	47.0	22.0	0.0373
516-Ton	48.0	-24.0	0.0356

the trucks in this country, and those abroad, the figure I have given happens to stand about half-way, although it was not arrived at by means of averages. Having assumed certain things as my standards I made some experiments to check them, in accordance with the mode of procedure I mentioned early in this paper. These experiments confirmed, in a rather rough way, it is true, that my assumed tractive factor was on the safe side. The experiments were not confined to any one make of truck, or any one truck of a particular make. In some trucks substitutions of various parts were made for direct comparison. The trucks had all been in service from one to four years, all were of one type—double chains driven from a jack-shaft, and in most cases they were handled by the owners' drivers. As examples I shall give the results of two tests:

1—A truck carrying 3,000 lbs., driven by a 3x4½ four-cylinder motor, tractive factor 0.040. This truck repeatedly mounted a 2½ per cent grade over a fair macadam pavement. The resistance factors overcome I estimated at not less than 0.6525 and 0.0300.

2—A truck carrying 5½ tons, driven by a 4½x4½ four-cylinder motor, tractive factor 0.0236. This truck mounted a 3 per cent grade over a good brick pavement. Resistance factor estimated at 0.0400. With a greater gear reduction, gained by a change of jack-shaft sprockets, so as to give a tractive factor of 0.0336, this truck mounted a 3¼ per cent grade over a somewhat worm brick pavement; resistance factor estimated at 0.0475.

Here are discrepancies due to the lack of positive data covering essential points in the problem. Either the efficiency of the transmission systems considerably exceeded 70 per cent, or the motors developed unusually heavy torques, or the road resistances were less than indicated. All my experiments, however, indicated that motors of smaller average size than indicated. All my experiments, however, indicated that motors of smaller average size than indicated reason why some trucks have larger motors in proportion t

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I have touched but on the outskirts of a large field for research; I hope, however, that what I have set forth will encourage those who have had similar ideas to my own, and some that individual or organization will undertake to map this field to the last square inch. It is properly a subject that should be taken up by our federal government. It deals with what will soon be a very vital part of the second most important activity of the country—transportation. Motor transport is destined, if properly developed, to effect vast economies for the entire population. Our roads are now the subject of a nation-wide movement for improvement. If these improvements are carried through, and there can be little doubt of it, the field for the motor truck will vastly increase. England, France and Germany paylarge sums of money annually in subsidies to help develop their motor truck industries, because they realize their vast possibilities; and the technical schools, helped by the government, are carrying on experiments. We need similar help here only so far as data is concerned. Give us accurate information and our factories will make trucks that we can sell abroad in competition with their best, and supply our own vast industrial development with a cheaper and better tool for the conservation of human time and brute energy.

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In summing up the contents of his paper, Cornelius T. Myers stated that the whole situation was in equating the resistance factor to the tractive factor at the point of ultimate attainment of the truck. That his formula was made up of figures taken on the safer side is shown by the fact that where his tractive factor was calculated at .0286, the same motor, measuring 4.5x4.5 inches, mounted a 3 per cent grade on a brick pavement with a

resistance factor of .01 or overcame a total resistance factor of .04.

He stated that his formula was assumed as to factors of tractive effort so as to reduce all motors on the same basis in the efficiency of transmission from motors to road wheels with double chain-drive trucks-the only kind considered in the paper-was 7 per cent and added that he believed this assumed efficiency to be too low, but it was that generally taken in designing trucks of this type. A. J. Slade, of the Atlantic Vehicle Co., discussed the need of more power in America on trucks, than would be required in Europe, and stated that at least 50 per cent greater power of motors was required to carry a given load here than abroad on account of the difference in road conditions.

Suggests Interchangeable Motors

J. A. Perkins, in comparing the widely varying conditions to be met in America with the more or less uniform requirements in Europe, stated that a motor which was suitable for one part of the country would be entirely inadequate to meet the requirements of another section. He suggested that motors of different sizes and horsepower be made with standard attachments to the chassis in order that motors would be interchangeable.

It was brought out also that the motor truck was essentially a vehicle of good roads, and that where road conditions were poor the motor truck could not be made to pay. The present motor is too large and we do not need bigger motors here than in Europe, and differing from Mr. Slade in this respect, Perkins prophesied that in a few years the motors will be the same size here as in Europe and stated that commercial vehicles are run faster here than in Europe, much too fast for economical operation.

R. L. Morgan announced that the practice abroad was to keep motors as small as possible, that the underpowered truck, like the underpower touring car, cannot attain great speed but will stand up. B. B. Bachmann stated that it was necessary to consider the demand if a motor designed for average conditions was to be put out by a truck manufacturer. In that respect it was necessary to have a motor which would have more power than necessary on good level roads, or small hills, and which would be somewhat underpowered on steep hills, and very rough country. The heavy motor worked against its own efficiency in that it meant heavier parts and hence actually required a higher power to carry it along.

Mr. Bachmann stated that he was a thorough believer in a small motor for commercial service; that economy was one of the most vital items, and that it was in direct ratio to the motor size; that the hig motors were more expensive in the fuel used per ton-mile.

This precipitated a general discussion in which it was brought out that possibly the

reason for the employment of small motors in Europe was the question of economy, particularly since the cost of fuel over there was considerably greater than it is in America. It was also stated that the demand for trucks was restricted to local conditions, and that trucks could be built to meet more definite conditions, and be of less power than could those which were built to overcome such widely varying conditions of loads and service as are met with in America. Doubt was expressed that the proportions of motors obtained from Myers' formula would work in all parts of the country.

In rebuttal to this Myers stated that the relations of motors to truck size all go back to the question of weight, that the question was to obtain pounds of effort per pound of weight, that by his formula, all the various resistances, such as load resistance and so on encountered in service could be reduced to a total tractive resistance.

LOW-GRADE FUEL FOR MOTOR TRUCKS BY N. B. POPE

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We are approaching a point where the stringency of the fuel market must become painfully evident to the motor vehicle user and indirectly to the motor vehicle manufacturer as well. Premonitory symptoms are 1—continued degradation of the gasoline of commerce; 2—increased prices for "asoline, which at present are tending in a mysterious manner toward a fairly uniform advance of nearly 90 per cent over the ruling wholesale rates of one year ago; 3—advances in the price of fuel oil east of the Rocky mountains, indicating in some measure the effect of rapidly increasing consumption for all petroleum products.

There is good reason to hope that the fuel difficulty may be relieved in large degree by co-operation between the automobile maker and the refiner, but the result of such co-operation cannot under the circumstances be realized for a period of months, possibly of several years. Its logical outcome would at best be an agreement on one or more standard grades of fuel of lower gravity and volatility than are common at present.

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Meanwhile the commercial vehicle is rapidly becoming an important factor in increasing the total consumption of gasoline. Taking a rough average of all motor vehicles in use, one truck may be said to consume in the course of a year about three times as much gasoline as one pleasure car. Hence the great increase in commercial vehicle production must cause the motor truck to exert a preponderating influence on the fuel market as soon as the number of trucks in use exceeds one-third of the number of active pleasure cars. In a broad way, therefore, the introduction of low-orade and cheaper fuels for commercial vehicles should afford immediate and progressively increasing relief for the fuel market.

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From the user's point of view the possible reduction in the cost of fuel is far from negligible. Using gasoline, the fuel cost represents at least 10 per cent of the total cost of operation. Usually it is more, Assuming that by the employment of low-grade fuels a saving of from 30 to 40 per cent of the fuel bill could be effected, and assuming the same consumption for the low-grade fuel as for gasoline, the substitution of the cheaper fuel would insure a minimum saving of 3 to 4 per cent in the total cost of operation. Unquestionably the overall saving should be even greater, and by careful development of special carbureters and slow-speed motors for the purpose it is probable that the inducement to the user can be considerably increased. Indeed, one maker on the Pacific coast, using engine distillate as fuel, claims a saving of 50 per cent on the fuel bill and a 20 per cent increase in power by doing away with gasoline.

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As immediate substitutes for gasoline there are available: 1—kerosene: 2—distillate: 3—naphtha. Kerosene is exceedingly plentiful, low in cost, uniform in quality, promises to continue in abundance and, if demanded in large quantities for motor fuel, could be disposed of in the domestic market with greater profit to the refiner than when marketed abroad, as is so largely done at present.

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Engine distillate is a product obtained from the western crude oils after the lighter fractions have been distilled off, and, in a way, is analagous to kerosene in respect to its posi-

tion in the scale of petroleum derivatives. It is less thoroughly refined, however, and at present is to be considered principally as a local product. That its practical equivalent could be produced from other asphaltic oils, such as those of Texas and Mexico, I believe to be the case.

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"Naphtha" is as indefinite a term as "gasoine." In its present use it is intended to embrace not only the heavier fractions that commonly are included with the gasoline distillation, but also the fractions between gasoline and kerosene, which are at present lost to the automobile fuel market. Being slightly more volatile than kerosene and moreover free from the doubtful reputation that kerosene enjoys as a fuel, it should prove easier to introduce, first, because the user is in no wise prejudiced against it, and second, because its employment entails less experimental development.

In considering the comparative utility of dif-In considering the comparative utility of dif-ferent fuels, particularly as between gasoline and the lower-grace petroleum distillates, there is little question of thermal equivalents. What-ever difference exists is, if anything, in favor of the heavier products. Volatility, however, as expressing the ease with which the mixture may be generated, is of paramount importance. Volatility, viscosity and gravity together indi-cate the comparative facility with which a fuel can be reduced to the condition of a dry or wet mixture and so delivered to the engine.

Carburetion of Lower Grade Fuels

In considering the lower-grade fuels it is necessary thus to distinguish between the carburetability and combustibility. That a liquid cannot be carbureted by ordinary methods need not condemn it for use in the internal combustion engine, but it does exclude it from consideration as a fuel for automobiles of present construction. In this way it is perfectly true that the carbureter is really tne determining factor in fuel selection. As the values of volatility, viscosity and gravity are lowered the fuel becomes, respectively harder to vaporize, more difficult to force through small orlices—having a higher coefficient of discharge—and requires a greater lifting effect to overcome its superior mass per unit of volume. With the heavier fuels, therefore, different proportions must be employed in the carbureter in order to obtain results corresponding to those obtained.

The quantitative expression for the relation of these all-important area and velocity relations is still locked in the designer's breast, but it is evident at least that a carbureter designed for heavy fuel may be more satisfactorily operated with gasoline than a gasoline carbureter with heavier fuel. To assist in the vaporization of the lower-grade fuels more heat is necessary than for gasoline. This is due largely to the fact that the latent heat of the heavier fuels is greater than that of gasoline. With the lighter fuels, such, for example, as 76 degrees gasoline, a larger proportion of the fuel may be vaporized completely before the mixture reaches the cylinders. With the heavier fuels, on the other hand, most of the fuel reaches the cylinders in atomized liquid form.

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The application of heat to assist the vaporizing action may be continued profitably only up to the point where volumetric efficiency is affected adversely. So long as the heat supplied to the mixture is absorbed in raising the temperature of the liquid particles, or in vaporizing the fuel, the volumetric efficiency will not be reduced, since the temperature of the mixture will not be raised: but the partial insulation of the liquid by the surrounding medium of air and fuel vapor prevents a free interchange of heat, particularly in view of the high velocities involved. For this reason the quantity of heat that can be supplied is less than that required to bring even the lighter fractions to the bolling point and convert them into vapor.

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That a certain loss of volumetric efficiency can be employed profitably as an offset to the non-homogeneous and consequently slow-burning mixtures that otherwise would result is however, probable. The law of compromise will stand considerable investigation in this respect. High velocities likewise, while tending to promote evaporation by mechanical action on the liquid particles, can be employed only to the limiting point where the volume of the charge is reduced by excessive fluid friction. Practically speaking, both methods must be used in combination. In any case, however, it must be borne in mind that the bulk of the vaporizing process with the heavier fuels must be carried on within the cylinder during the compression period.

The design of the heavy-fuel instrument, therefore, must be postulated on the theory that it will handle at all times a wet mixture, and due provision must be made against the separation of the liquid compound by baffling surfaces. Furthermore, since a certain amount of separation must occur from this cause, with ronsequent tendency to loading of the mixture under certain running conditions. Its effect must be minimized as far as possible by pro-

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However successfully a carbureter for low-grade fuels may be made to function under normal running conditions, starting will be rendered difficult in just the degree that normal operation is dependent on heat supplied. Of the two available methods of counteracting this difficulty—one the supplying of artificial heat prior to starting and the other the use of a more volatile fuel for the first few charges—the latter is by far the simpler and easier to accomplish. Where normal carburetion is dependent largely on high velocities to convey the mixture to the cylinders, starting the motor when cold is accomplished more easily. Ease of starting thus becomes, as it were, inversely proportional to the normal heating-effect and directly proportional to the normal velocity-effect under running conditions. Hence it is reasonable to conclude that a mechanical starting device will always be required for low-grade fuel motors, and that in addition either the use of a high-grade fuel for the first few moments of operation will be necessary, or else a method of priming. In many respects the latter method is preferable, especially if acetylene be used, since it permits starting without special carbureter adjustment (other than choking of the air), simplifies bi-fuel tank and piping complication, and further introduces into the primary charges a high-velocity combustible which serves as kindling material for what is practically a normal charge.

There is every reason to believe that in the natural course of events engine-starting appliances will soon become a practical necessity on all motor vehicles, so that the development of such devices for commercial vehicles in connection with the adoption of low-grade fuels need not be viewed in the light of a special and purely incidental burden. Practically speaking, starters are more necessary on commercial vehicles than on pleasure cars, through their economic advantage in conserving the dr

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On combustion the lower-grade fuels, containing as they do larger proportions of unsaturated hydrocarbons, give rise to more complex reactions than the higher-grade fuels, with consequent tendencies to the deposition of free carbon. Due to the complicated nature of the process, and on the hypothesis that certain of the reactions must proceed in sequence, flame propagation is less rapid with the heavier hydrocarbon, even with homogeneous mixtures that are properly proportioned. With incompletely vaporized mixtures, or those which are not agitated during the compression stroke and which in consequence may be described as in a "lumpy" condition, combustion will be further delayed by the completion of the flame waves. Because of this double retarding influence, slow combustion almost invariably accompanies the use of the lower-grade fuels, which are in consequence suitable for slow-speed motors only, so long as carbureting methods approximating those at present in use are retained. As the slow-speed engine is well adapted in other respects for commercial vehicle use, however, it follows inversely that the heavier fuels are particularly adaptable to commercial vehicle purposes.

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As a large proportion of commercial vehicle types may be said more truly to be in the early stages of evolution than are pleasure vehicles, it follows that the adaptation of special apparatus for handling low-grade fuels will work less hardship on the truck manufacturer than it would if forced on the builder of established types of pleasure vehicles. Further, the higher valuation placed on operating economy by the commercial vehicle purchaser must tend to render the kerosene or naphtha-burning machine a more acceptable offering in that field than a pleasure car possessing the same features would be in its field. Indeed, were it possible to offer almost any large truck user a carbureter that would handle a low-grade fuel as efficiently as his present carbureter handles gasoline, there is little question that he would accept the substitute immediately, on the basis of a not unreasonable performance guarantee for the lower-grade fuel.

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It will be objected that so long as the commercial vehicle user sees countless pleasure cars operated on gasoline, he will continue to be skeptical about the need or advantage of changing to a substitute fuel—even in the face of high and continually rising prices for gasoline; which is largely true. Above all things, there is need that motor vehicle users of every class be taught to discriminate in the matter of fuels—that they be taught that it is possible to offset rising gasoline prices by the adoption of lower-grade substitutes, and not improbably in the future by the adoption of manufactured fuels derived from various sources. The bondage of the automobile industry to petroleum is largely traditional. Petroleum products must be employed exclusively as fuel only so long as

they are cheaper than other fuels. As a matter of self-protection the automobile manufacturer should assist in spreading this truth. Granted the possibility of adopting a fair working standard for motor fuels, introducing one or more low-cost substitutes for gasoline, such an educational program could be readily put under way. Otherwise the process must be slower and more difficult. Let one or two successful manufacturers exploit models specifically intended for low-grade fuels, however, and the movement will be well inaugurated. What one small concern in its isolated territory west of the Rockies has done from the very beginning of its career, other and better equipped makers can do without fear of failure, and without risking a staggering capital investment. Once the movement is really started and the truck user learns that he can reduce materially his outlay for fuel without sacrifice of serviceability, the battle will be more than half won. And when the pregnancy of the present fuel situation is fully understood, the strategic advantage of such a development can be well appreciated.

The discussion on the question of fuel

The discussion on the question of fuel for commercial vehicles brought out the fact that there were a number of motors running on low-grade fuel. One was mentioned which has operated ever since it was manufactured on nothing else but the low-grade fuel. While discussion was in progress on this paper, R. L. Morgan stated that he had observed a carbureter in which an electric coil was placed in a passage below the venturi tube and which permitted the motor to start on the lowgrade fuel 20 seconds after this coil had been switched in.

The discussion on this paper reflected back on Mr. Myers' paper and brought out the fact that very few of the truck manufacturers, if any, had gone into the matter with a formula. Another point which was brought out was that the fuel consumption was of such importance that it was necessary to cut the motor size to the utmost limit. The author of the paper in speaking of this phase of the situation after having read the paper stated:

"The weight of the motor increases proportionately with its power, we therefore not only have an added power which is necessary but also an added weight which renders it still more necessary to carry excess power."

TENDENCY OF FOREIGN MOTOR TRUCK DESIGN

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Chief Engineer, Federal Motor Truck Co. It might as well be admitted in the beginning that the data presented in this paper do not justify the use of its comprehensive title, which was selected in sheer desperation after a futile search for one more expressive of the true character of the text. It is simply an attempt to set forth some of the details of design which are most interesting, together with some comments on their advantages and disadvantages, as they appeared to the writer in a recent trip abroad.

A composite picture of the predominent English motor trucks would show the motor under a hood in front of the seat as in conventional pleasure car practice; a cast-tank built-up radiator in front of the motor; right-hand drive; fixed-spark magneto ignition; thermosyphon cooling; three-speed transmission; cast steel plain-bearing wheels; rear springs taking both drive and torque; both brakes on rear wheels, and worm, plulon or chain final drives. No one particular make embodies all these features, but they represent the writer's impression of the English truck, crystallized from information obtained and observations made.

Radiators in Europe

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There seems to have been a nearly universal and simultaneous adoption of the cast-tank built-up type of radiator. The top and bottom tanks are made for the most part of aluminum, the top tank being in some cases ribbed to secure increased radiating surface. The radiator seems to have the following points in its favor: It has very few soldered joints as compared with the "tin case" type, as the Englishmen call it, and the joints are stressed very little or not at all, as any forces acting on the radia-

tor are transmitted through the side bars to the comparatively rigid tanks, and as long as there is no movement of the bolted joints or deflection of the tanks and side bars, the soldered joints cannot be stressed except by the action of inertia forces set up by the core itself. The filler and inlet and outlet connections may all be cast on the tanks if desired, while the side bars may be designed easily for practically any form of surnort. Hood ledges may be cast on, thus doing away with the trouble caused by relative movement of the hood and radiator cutting the sheet metal ledge. The core may be of any type whatsoever, either cellular or vertical tube: the latter either with or without fins as the individual designer may prefer.

It would seem that cast iron could be substituted successfully for aluminum if the percentage of efficiency per pound of weight were not considered important. The weight and cost of an aluminum-cast-tank radiator should not exceed greatly that of the usual type of the same capacity and efficiency. The greatest advantage, however, would be to the user. The cores can be made strictly interchangeable if master spacers are used in assembling, and as the cost of the core, which is the only part ordinarily liable to damage through accident, will be about 50 per cent of the total cost of the radiator. the user's repair bills due to accidents to this part of his car will be cut exactly in half. The fact that an ordinary wooden block seems to make a sufficiently flexible support is eloquent testimony of either the strength of the radiators or the excellence of the roads in England.

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Brake hand-levers are big two-handed affairs that look as though they were really to be used for braking and not merely as locks to hold the car when standing still. There seems to be a marked tendency to place both service and emergency brakes on the rear wheel bubs, which I believe was originally a purely American construction. All brakes noted were practically without exception of the internal-expanding type with metal-to-metal and lined shoes apparently in about equal favor. The brakes were in most cases cam-expanded and usually equalized, some of the mechanisms to accomplish this being very ingenious.

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Plain floating wheel bushings seem to be perfectly satisfactory, with low first cost, nonadjustability and cheapness of replacement as big points in their favor. Some have hardened sleeves in both the wheel hub and on the axle, while on others the bushing rotates on the soft axle. There are several different methods of lubricating, all of which seem to work very well and apparently considerable variation in design is allowable without materially affecting the service obtained.

While cast steel wheels seem to give very good results under certain conditions, they do not appear to be a universal panacea for all wheel troubles. One user who has operated a great many trucks of many different makes said that cast steel wheels were all right untit the tires wore thin. In this statement I think there is food for a great deal of thought. A built-up wheel of structural steel was giving him excellent service and almost no trouble.

The usual mounting of the chassis is on four semi-elliptic springs, although some cases of three-quarter fronts and semi-elliptic rears were noted. French designers seem to favor wider springs, the average being 25 per cent wider than on the English cars of the same capacity.

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The most interesting point is, however, that both torque and drive are taken through the rear springs, with evident success. There is possibly a little more trouble with the springs, but none at all with radius and torque rods and their attendant fittings. It has evidently been found that the maintenance cost of a Hotchkiss-drive truck is less than of one with radius or torque rods or both; the first cost is certainly less. This is the true test of the worth of a design—does it make the total cost of operation minimum? In the case of one truck noted it was a question as to how the torque was taken, as the long reinforced-wood radius rod flexed so much under load that the springs must have taken some of it.

An interesting commentary on the favorable conditions for motor truck operation abroad is that a pleasure car chassis with a van body seems to make a perfectly good truck with a capacity of about one ton for retail delivery. The opinion was advanced in some quarters that the three-wheeler is the solution of the problem of satisfactorily and economically replacing one horse with a motor vehicle. It is a question, though, whether it could be operated at a lower cost than a certain-priced American car, when "operated" is taken to mean the entire cost of the service.

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In London there does not seem to be much attention paid to motor starters, and less stilf in Paris. In both cities traffic is about as badly congested as could be imagined, and it would seem that if motor starters were worth

while at all, such a condition would hasten their adoption. The answer probably is that more is lost than gained by their installation. In regard to the final drive, there seems to be more unanimity of opinion than there is in this country. In England the worm has a shade the better of the argument at present, but is not gaining ground very rapidly; while in France, judging from the exhibits at the Paris show, it is not considered seriously. One of the advantages of the worm drive is, of course, quietness, but the pinion-drive Schneider buses in Paris are certainly as quiet as could be asked.

Final Drive Still in Development

Any one of the four types of final drive which are at the present time considered as possbilities, undoubtedly has certain points of superiority over any or all of the others, but is also subject to troubles which are neculiar to it and not found in the others. When all the good and bad points of each are balanced, it will be found, everything considered, that no one of them is from the user's point of view so very much superior to the others. This was borne out by the things the writer saw in the different repair depots and garages which he visited and by the statements of the men with whom he talked. Each, of course, had formed his own opinion from experience with the various types, but the opinions and experiences were by no means uniform. Thus, of four different men interviewed, each of whom had had about the same amount of experience with the different types but under different conditions, one pronounced the chain drive to be still the most satisfactory; another was very enthusiastic about the worm; the third was best satisfied with the results he had obtained from the

different types but under different conditions, one pronounced the chain drive to be still the most satisfactory; another was very enthusiastic about the worm; the third was best satisfied with the results he had obtained from the pinion drive; while the fourth was very strongly impressed with the possibilities of double reduction.

So, while beyond question fairly good and consistent results can be obtained with any of the types, it seems that no one has yet been developed to the point where it is all roses and no thorns, and that considerations other than those of a strictly engineering or technical nature will in the immediate future largely influence the choice of the type of final drive in new designs. Ultimately, of course, the design which will give the greatest number of users will be the one to survive. For the time being the buying public may give really non-essential factors an unduly large valuation and thus divert design from the path plainly marked by reconomical considerations.

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Several of the members present commented on the stand taken by the French and English war offices in subsidizing motor trucks. The fact that the English war office has subsidized only the bevel drive while the French war office refuses to subsidize the bevel drive was especially noted.

The last paper to be presented at the session was a discussion of truck tires by B. B. Bachman, assistant engineer the Autocar Co. The paper was entitled "Comparative Results with Solid and Pneumatic Tires on Light Commercial Vehicles." Bachman stated that his paper was a summary of results on one make of truck of 3,000 pounds capacity. These showed that the comparative cost per mile with solid tires against pneumatic tires was 3 cents a mile for the solid and 5 cents per mile for the pneumatic. When the car maintenance as a whole was considered it was found the cost was nearly 50 per cent greater for the solid tire as compared with the pneumatic, and that there was a 30 per cent saving of gasoline in favor of the pneumatic tired trucks. In fact, in all except tire cost alone the figures were all in favor of the pneumatic.

Bachman completed his remarks by stating that the pneumatic tire for truck service has been given a black eye by most users on account of the very general undertiring of trucks and excessively high speeds at which they are operated.

In the discussion of this paper C. T.

Myer suggested that the proper tire equipment, and particularly the trouble with the pneumatic to date, was a question of two things. First, that the tire inflation pressure generally employed is not sufficient, that greater tire pressure is needed for the same size of tire in commercial vehicle service than is used for pleasure cars. Tests on factory trucks showed an increase of tire cost with pneumatics, but a lower maintenance cost. It was brought out that as far as engine cost was concerned the balance was in favor of the pneumatic tire on smaller trucks which were run at fairly high speeds. The vibration of the motor truck was stated to be its one weak point and in the lighter vehicles where the cost of pneumatic tires would not be beyond reason, they were in the long run more economical.

A. J. Slade inquired as to whether there were any cushion tires which were interchangeable with the present solid tires for motor trucks. This was followed by a statement that shortly one company was to put out cushion tires which could replace the solid, and was followed by expressions of widely varying opinions as to the relative efficiency and economy of the cushion and filled tires versus the solid

Discussion of Worm Gears

The discussion was then turned over to the subject of worm gears. Henry Souther, who had made a study of this subject while on the recent trip abroad of the Society of Automobile Engineers, stated that while the manufacturers were not in agreement as to the specific composition of the worm and gear they did agree that the best results were obtained from hardened steel against bronze, the steel being the worm member of course. In some cases, he stated, where the bronze was not of the proper composition, it had been known to flow under the pressure of the worm, so that the bronze must be such composition as to resist peaning. He also added that worm gearing as a whole required very careful machining and handling to obtain satisfactory results, and that the only disadvantage of the straight worm over the hourglass type is the lessened road clearance provided when the worm is under the axle.

Frank Burgess, of the Boston Gear Works, stated that worm driving had proven successful in Europe and that it was being developed here; that the issue could not be pushed, but the adoption of worm drive was a question of time. It must be given a chance to grow. Burgess stated his belief that contrary to present practice, a worm gear would be employed most extensively on trucks. He stated that simplicity was an issue, and that for success a device must have as few parts as possible with the minimum number of bearings, but that so far as worm gears were concerned, it was only a matter of cutting the worm teeth cor-

rectly and that they required the development of special machinery.

At present the engineers have not had time to develop this phase properly. He stated that the Hindley shape of tooth will make a successful worm, that the nearer you get to the flat tooth the better efficiency will be obtained, the better lubrication, longer wearing qualities and less heat will be found.

C. T. Myers said that it must be remembered that the commercial vehicle industry is not the same as the pleasure car field, that designers must not go too fast but must work for a simple design of vehicle. He stated that worm drive was less simple than the chain drive and had the disadvantage of increasing the unsprung weight on the rear axle. He concluded by saying that the new ideas are good and that engineers should sit down and think about them but go slowly in their adoption.

T. V. Buckwalter, of the Pennsylvania railroad, then made the remark in referring back to the several references to different formulas throughout the discussions of the evening that it was impossible to accomplish anything practical by the mere use of a formula. President Alden, in replying to this, stated that a formula was necessary in order to make a start. and that it would be nearly blind work to attempt to proceed without one.

Engine Starters for Trucks

The discussion on starters for motor trucks was opened. R. L. Morgan stated that in his belief it was best to leave off the starter because if he hired men husky enough to handle freight and found that they were too lazy to turn over the motor, he would get rid of the men. He also stated that on the truck, simplicity was the biggest feature of design. Every part which could be left off without affecting the efficiency of the truck was so much gained. This was, in his opinion, especially the case where the larger trucks were concerned.

There is not the need of economy of time in motor starting on the smaller sizes that there is in the larger sizes of trucks because the nonproductive investment during the time the truck is idle, is not so great in the smaller sizes. Mr. Cohan remarked that one reason the electric truck is supreme in certain fields is it is easily started, and said that when the gasoline truck becomes easy starting it will encroach on the field of the electric. He went on to say that huskies do not make the best drivers, and that the driver that is torn between duty in saving gasoline for his employer and letting the engine run to save his elbow is quite likely to take the latter alternative unless the motor is equipped with a starter. C. T. Myers added that he had found starters not desirable and not in great demand for vehicles over 1-ton capacity.

A general discussion then followed on simplicity of motor trucks. It seemed to be the general opinion of the members who entered into the discussion that simplicity should be a cardinal factor of motor trucks.

Metal Wheels Discussed

The discussion of the subject of metal wheels evolved a wide variance of opinion among the truck makers and engineers present. Lee S. Bowers, of the Schwarz Wheel Co., stated that it was his belief that the metal wheel is utterly rigid, nonresilient and hence devoid of the capability to absorb road shocks.

It was stated by R. L. Morgan that wood wheels used on trucks were found in many cases to be from 1/8 to 1/4 inches out of round, while the metal wheels would stay true; that the manufacturer of wood wheels has not developed with the truck industry and that the great weight on them caused many of the wheels to fail. Mr. Bowers responded to Mr. Morgan's criticisms by saying that wood wheels were now manufactured which remained perfectly true, and which gave excellent service in as much as they possess resiliency, and thereby absorbed the road shocks and cut down to a remarkable degree the cost of upkeep on the entire car.

Following discussions brought out the fact that the members were in agreement in stating that excess weight must be guarded against. Some agreed that they had broken more axles with solid wheels than with the wood wheels, while others claimed that owing to bad wooden wheel construction the life of the tire was shortened on the latter type. The difficulty of securing light castings was also mentioned. It was the belief of some that the cast steel wheel would supercede the wood wheel in time in as much as cast steel wheels can be made if the same material is employed as is used in making wheels for railroad cars. It was also stated that it has been shown that traction engines need metal wheels and that at the present time probably are the only vehicles that

Exhaust Gas Analysis Method of Diagnosing Motor's Condition by Waste Products Outlined by A. C. A. Expert

N EW YORK, Jan. 18—The topic of exhaust gas analysis which was discussed at the Friday afternoon session of the S. A. E. proved to be one of the best attended and most interesting of the week. A number of authorities on the subject were on hand to expound their ideas and experience, which in several instances has extended over a long period. Dr. Arthur H. Elliott was scheduled to present a paper on the analysis of exhaust gases but owing to illness was unable to prepare any material or to be present to aid in the discussion. The analysis of the exhaust gas of a motor is becoming to be looked upon by many engineers of long experience in testing

work as necessary to the proper determination of the efficiency of the engine under test. By means of data as to constituents of the waste gases the engineer is able to determine whether or not the motor is getting all of the useful energy and power out of the mixture.

In the absence of Dr. Elliott several notes on the subject were hastily prepared by Herbert Chase, Laboratory Engineer of the Automobile Club of America, who dealt with the subject in its relation to carbureter and engine testing. Mr. Chase

carbureter and engine testing. Mr. Chase said:

Some of you will doubtless recall that I gave you in the paper which I read before the society at its last summer meeting some data which I had obtained along this line in testing a six-cylinder Pierce motor. Since that time I have conducted a considerable number of tests in which samples of the exhaust gas were taken and analyzed. I am now convinced that I was correct in the impression stated in this paper that a much more satisfactory method of taking the samples of exhaust gas could be employed than the one there outlined. We now use a method which gives much more consistent and satisfactory results for reasons which I will shortly point out.

It has been our practice to make tests along very much the same lines as indicated by Mr. Heinze in his discussion of motor testing, although the methods which we employ differ somewhat in detail. In addition to measuring the air and the gasoline which enter the motor, we also analyzed samples of the exhaust gas for the following reasons:

Measurement of the air and the gasoline make it possible to determine whether or not the proportion of each remains constant. Aside from this, one very important factor remains to be determined, namely, is the gasoline properly mixed with the air in such manner that each molecule of oxygen and hydrogen will come into contact with a molecule of oxygen during the very short period of time when effective combustion takes place? It may be argued that this question will be answered by measuring the horsepower at the same time that the air and gasoline are measured and concluding that a better diffusion of the gasoline in the air is obtained, when, as a result of some change in the method of spraying without changing the proportion of air to gasoline in the air is obtained, when, as a result of some change in the method of spraying without changing the proportion of air to gasoline in the air of the completeness of combustion?

There are other arguments in favor of analyzing the exhaust gase.

samples of exhaust gas for later analysis, whereas air measurements would be exceedingly difficult, if not impossible.

With the price of fuel rapidly increasing it now becomes more important than ever to get the greatest possible amount of power out of the given amount of fuel. I am very decidedly of the opinion that this object could be obtained more readily if engineers would give more consideration to exhaust gas analysis.

I may say also that Prof. Watson, an English investigator of considerable prominence, has found in some of his investigations that the maximum power of a motor is obtained with a ratio of air to gas from twelve to fifteen by weight. He has also determined that the maximum thermal efficiency corresponds to about seventeen parts of air to one of gasoline. Other investigators state that about fourteen parts of air to one of gasoline, which is approximately the theoretical amount necessary for complete combustion, gives the best thermal efficiency.

The discussion of the subject was opened by E. R. Hewitt, who has had wide and varied experience along this line. He out lined the apparatus which he uses in making running tests, and explained the method of attachment to the car. The necessity for rapid collection of the sample of gas to be tested was emphasized. It was also brought out that results obtained by road tests are not the same as those under brake-test conditions. The reasons which Mr. Hewitt gave for this difference are that the jar of the motor on the road

affects the carbureter float level and also the variation in temperature under the hood has a bearing on the results obtained. He stated that there was a difference of 15 per cent to 100 degrees Fahrenheit variation in temperature. For greatest efficiency on the brake as well as on the road Mr. Hewitt has determined the following exhaust analysis:

Whenever an analysis of the exhaust gases does not check up as would be naturally expected, the deviation from the normal conditions may be ascribed to poor carburetion. The normal analysis should show intimate mixture and complete combustion. Mr. Hewitt touched upon tendencies for condensation within the manifold. With any carbureter whatever, with velocities in this varbureter below 5,000 feet per minute, it is impossible to get away from condensation within the manifold. We begin to get good results at 8,000 feet per minute, and best results are obtained at a speed around 15,000 feet per minute. The problem in carbureter design is therefore to get this result with the least expenditure of power. Mr. Hewitt has determined that the maximum efficiency mixture has approximately the following composition:

Mr. Hewitt has made a number of tests with a view of determining the effect of the action in the intake, both on the. power developed and on the mixture. He has found that 1 inch mercury suction affects the power about 10 per cent, which relation holds up to 3 inches of mercury, so that if it were possible to reduce the suction to zero, we would get an increase in power of about 30 per cent.

J. M. Breitenbach gave it has his opinion that another reason for power loss in motors designed according to American practice is that the explosion chambers are too large and that another is on account of incorrect timing.

Marshall's CO., Test

Prof. W. C. Marshall, Sheffield Scientific School, Yale University, added some most interesting points to the information already given out, his ideas coming as a result of a number of road tests made under varying conditions of speed and with different types of motors, during the past summer. In his experience he has found that under road conditions the analyses compare very closely with those given by Mr. Hewitt. He pointed out that from the amount of CO2 which is present in the waste gases is a very correct indication of the fuel consumption of the motor. For instance, when from 5 to 6 per cent CO2 is found, the car averages from 4 to 5 miles on a gallon of fuel, while when the exhaust shows 12 to 13 per cent CO2 the economy runs up to three or four times as much.

Looking at the practical side of the

problem, Prof. Marshall stated that an exhaust gas analysis as applicable to motor car engineering is not so difficult as to cause any engineering department to hesitate to make them. Determination of the composition of the waste gases not only affords a means of gauging the economy of the motor, but also makes it possible to arrive at the relative efficiency of carbureters.

Mr. Hewitt, in reply to a question as to what engines he used for his tests, stated that he had employed two machines for the purpose, one a four- and the other a six-cylinder model. The cylinder dimensions of these two motors are the same, being 4 by 4.75 inches. He averages from 21 to 24 miles per gallon with the four-cylinder type and 14.5 to 15 miles per gallon with the six.

Variables Reduce Value

W. G. Wall, chief engineer of the National company, stated that he has made a number of exhaust tests during the last 28 years, and that, due to the many variables such as the size of the intake, the shape of the ports, and so on, he has come to the conclusion that gas analyses are of very little value. When very best theoretical results are obtained, they are of little use from the practical side. He has been unable to arrive at any definite conclusion of this method of motor testing due to the many contradictory results.

E. J. Stoddard, a patent attorney, touched upon the chemical manipulation in connection with accurate analysis. Engineers are somewhat weak on this phase of the subject, he said. He inquired as to whether the absorbtion of oxygen is liable to produce CO in itself. The reply was negative.

Mr. Hewitt was requested to outline briefly his method of procedure in making exhaust analysis. The CO2 is absorbed first, after which the oxygen is removed, which leaves only the CO. In discussing carbureters in this connection Mr. Hewitt stated that he has tested in all about thirty types, and that the analysis does not depend upon this feature. One carbureter will work well at one particular range of speed and may be very poor at a lower or higher range. There is no carbureter at present which works equally well at all speeds. In the average case, the carbureter is adjusted for too rich a mixture at all times. This is due to the fact that it is impossible to compensate for differences in temperature under the bonnet so that if an instrument is adjusted for best running at a good speed, it is very poor for starting purposes. Dash carbureter adjustment for manually changing the mixture in accordance with these varying conditions is therefore necessary.

T. S. Kemble, of the Peerless experimental laboratory, believes that horse-power and other block tests are equally as good for arriving at the efficiency of motors and for deductions as are an analysis of the exhaust.

In closing the discussion, Herbert Chase mentioned the point of dissociation and recombination which had been brought up earlier as a possible theory as to the action of the gases in burning. He stated that the society would be authoritatively informed on this point later.

Is Magneto Threatened? Discussion of Effect of New Electric Systems—Pleads for

42-Inch Wheel

NEW YORK, Jan. 13—The meeting of the professional session of the S. A. E. convened Saturday morning and the first topic for discussion was "Whether the magneto as at present fitted was likely to be discarded owing to the adoption in some quarters of the motor starter, lighting plant and ignition contained in one unit." Mr. A. L. McMurtry, of the Aristos Co., opened the discussion and stated that the high-tension magneto, as at present used, was a most reliable instrument. When the question of a combined system of starting, lighting and ignition was considered, the element of security was not so great as in the present magneto. It only required a short circuit anywhere in the various leads to render the ignition system useless.

A. L. Riker, of the Locomobile company, thought that it was a question to determine whether the same result could be obtained with the one-unit as well as with the three-unit? Further, if the result was the same, what the relation would be in point of view of first cost? He thought that a combined unit would cost less, but the relative weights and space occupied were also points that would have to be considered.

E. V. Hartford, president Hartford Suspension Co., agreed with Mr. McMurtry that it was better to leave the high-tension magneto and continue to use it in addition to the other electrical equipment employed for starting and lighting. Improved Wiring Needed

Professor Hutton said that he had had some experience with this situation and had experimented with two batteries, but owing to the lack of standard in wiring he was troubled continually with short circuits. Until the methods of wiring were improved he thought that the present plan was the better. A possible solution was the motor and generator combined and the outcome of experiments along this line might be satisfactory. In the speaker's mind there was a doubt and the question resolved itself as to whether it was desirable to attack the effectiveness of the motor in any way.

Mr. V. G. Apple, manager of the Apple Electric Co., believed that for commercial reasons that it was better to continue to use the magneto for ignition purposes. He advocated taking the current from the battery for starting purposes only. McMurtry pointed out that the

Bosch company has brought out a small magneto to be fitted on the dash for starting purposes, thereby doing away with the battery. He thought that there must have been a reason for this, and went on to state that it simplified the system considerably as the batteries had other duties to perform.

H. L. Pope stated that in his opinion it was best to leave the magneto alone, for the present at any rate. He thought, however, that the time would soon come when the various systems would be combined. There would be a saving of weight and less initial expense also. Howard Marmon stated that it had taken a number of years to develop the magneto to its present reliable state, and one advantage of the magneto was that as the speed of the motor was increased, the intensity of the spark increased also. This fact simplified control. President Alden said that no doubt that it would be the survival of the fittest in the long

The next topic for discussion was "Why has the 42-inch wheel been discarded." President Alden said that it was not so much a question of the 42-inch wheel being discarded as that it had failed to grow in favor and he called upon the several members present to give their opinions upon the matter.

A. L. Riker pointed out that the majority of Americans wanted to carry three people on the rear seat and to do this it was necessary to have an overall width of 57 to 58 inches. The public also wanted to be as near the ground as possible. With a 42-inch wheel, 57-inch tread and the body width of 57 inches the tendency of the larger wheel design was to perch people high up in the air. Then there was the question of the additional cost of the tires and he did not think that the advantages gained by the large wheel were in proportion with the extra cost entailed. In order to hang the body low and use large wheels it was not feasible without increasing the tread and he did not think that this was a move in the right direction.

High Wheels Break Axles

Mr. McMurtry said that he had built a horseless carriage in 1897 to which he fitted large wheels and experienced considerable trouble from broken axles and broken steering spindles. The size of the wheels was originally 40 inches and upon reducing the size of the wheel to 30 inches the axle trouble disappeared. Professor Hutton pointed out that the increased diameter of the wheels gave a longer lever arm to the body and that heavier brakes would be necessary. It was a question in his mind whether or not the better riding qualities were imaginary. President Alden stated that he had ridden in several cars with large wheels and with smaller ones under the same condition and he had experienced more comfort with the large wheels.

Routes and Douring Information

/ERY good roads and very bad roads designate the only two classes into which the highways of Louisiana are divided. Touring in a motor car consequently is likely to be a pleasure of the sterner sort. A pulley and tackle, half a dozen 4foot boards and a supply of blocks form a portion of the equipment of the wise driver who expects to see something of rural Louisiana. Some hardships must be expected,

but they are far overbalanced by the charm of the scenery and the quaint beauty of the farms and villages.

Customs of the Natives

Away from the railways and off the beaten roads of the Pelican state there is

Motor Touring Possibilities of Louisiana



IMPROVED ROAD MILEAGE IS INCREASING IN LOUISIANA

By Paul Wooton

a foreign air. The descendants of the Arcadians and of the early Spanish and French colonists have kept clear of the melting pot. They have not been Ameri-

canized, while the passing centuries have converted them into sturdier stock, much changed in their ways and customs from their ancestors. Their language no longer is French. A Parisian or even a Creole from New Orleans must resort to English if he is understood. Holland has few characteristics that cannot be duplicated in the rice country. Features of interest exist in endless variety, which combined with the splendid hospitality of the country folk, repays the tourist for the times he gets his feet muddy.

Tours generally are governed to a great extent by the season. If the rainfall has been heavy those who venture far from the improved roads are likely to come to grief. When, however, there is a sea-

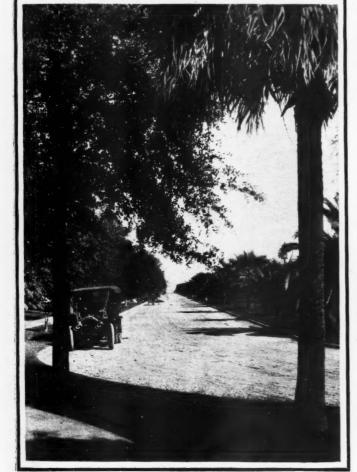
son such as the summer and fall of 1912, with a minimum of precipitation, a motorist can tour almost at will throughout the lowlands.

During the past season many tourists report having driven the first car into towns of no mean size. Strangely enough, each states that the cars seemed to arouse little curiosity. Modern literature is too well filled with pictures of motor cars to permit of any surprises.

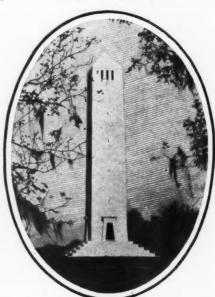
While topographical conditions vary in different sections of Louisiana, as well as in Mississippi where conditions are almost identical, the proportion of good and bad roads is about the same. Improved trunk lines exist in nearly every section, but if the tourist stays on the heavily traveled roads connecting the larger places, the real enjoyment of a tour in this section of the south is lost.

All Roads Not Bad

Off the trunk line highways all roads are not bad. The trouble is that segments of good roads are scattered. A stretch of a few miles may leave nothing to be desired, only to be succeeded by a few miles of the worst road imaginable. The tourist soon learns to take full advantage of the pieces of good roads. The best time that is practical should be made, as there is no



SAMPLE OF SHELL ROAD SYSTEM AROUND NEW ORLEANS



Monument on Chalmette battlefield where General Jackson defeated the British in 1812

telling what delays may be encountered a little further along.

These stretches of good roads often are the result of the work of some especially enterprising community that has improved the roadway through its district. Again, the coastal plain may rise in a gentle swell that permits of drainage. Through limited sections there are strips of a clay and sand mixture that make an excellent surface, but throughout the greater portion of Louisiana and Mississippi the soil is alluvial, which with a little moisture forms a mud of extraordinary viscidity.

Big Tires Help

To look at many of the country roads or to watch an animal-drawn vehicle laboring along, nine drivers out of ten would say such a highway could not be negotiated with a motor car, but the density of the soil, which a narrow tire cuts deeply, is more generous to the broad tires of a motor car. During the recent state elections the candidates proved what could be done with a motor car if an honest effort were made. Regardless of the condition of roads, cars were forced into every nook and corner of the state and, what is more. better time was made than could have been hoped for had a horse-drawn buggy been chosen.

In getting off the main roads there is little difficulty in securing gasoline. Purchases can be made in any village store and generally there is no difficulty in replenishing supplies at plantations. No parts or sundries can be purchased and in case of accident to a vital part of the car parts will have to be ordered by telegraph or telephone from some one of the larger towns. As rural mail deliveries are made each day into even the more remote parts of the state repair parts can be had promptly. There is little objection from this feature, as touring parties leaving the main roads usually have plenty of leisure time, and while repairs are being made additional time is given for acquiring a



Old defense tower, a type of fortification which dots southern Louisiana

more intimate knowledge of these interesting communities. There are no garages, but cars can be housed at the village barns. A charge varying from 50 cents to \$1.25 is made, which which includes a cludes a washing or cleaning of the car.

It would be difficult to find any other section of the United States where travelers are offered such bountiful meals. Rural Louisiana and Mississippi are famous for the excellence of their cuisine. Twenty-five cents will buy a meal hard to duplicate at any price in any city. In the larger villages regularly conducted hotels are found, but in the smaller places transients are cared for at boarding houses.

By far the greater part of the touring done in Louisiana is

confined to two routes. One runs north to Memphis via Baton Rouge, and the other lies westward along the line of the Southern Pacific. At all of the larger towns along these routes regularly equipped garages will be found, as well as fairly complete lines of parts and sundries. If the weather is at all favorable there is no trouble in making 130 miles a day as an average. On the westward route there are now but few stretches of unimproved roads. Long and heavy rains are required before this route would be closed to the motorist for even a day. Due to the amount of improvement being made this winter on this route there are some places where the going is heavy, due to new gravel.

Levee Road Proposed

There is one serious drawback to the main road between New Orleans and Baton Rouge. It follows the base of the levee and seepage from the river never allows the surface to dry thoroughly. Despite this fact this is the most popular route for New Orleans tourists. There is hope of securing permission to build a road along the crown of the levee. When this is a reality Louisiana will have one of the famous scenic routes of the world.

Eastward from New Orleans there is a magnificent shell road to Chef Menteur, 30 miles from the city. Beyond the roads are very bad. There is a bad ferry at the



TRUNK-LINE ROADS THROUGH COUNTRY GENERALLY ARE WELL KEPT UP

Rigolets, but a few miles beyond the Mississippi border there is a good road connecting the summer resort towns along Mississippi sound. By improving a few short stretches a good highway can be secured into Mobile.

Beauties of Lake Pontchartrain

Across Lake Pontchartrain, which bounds New Orleans on the west and north, there is a considerable mileage of improved roads. Cars from the city are carried across the lake on any of the regular boats with little delay or expense, and the good roads throughout this prosperous agricultural region are attracting tourists.

Hotels in interior towns and villages in Louisiana charge from \$1 to \$2 per day, 'American plan. The table is uniformly excellent and the conveniences are on a par with the average rural hotel.

Short drives from New Orleans form the most popular pastime of motor car owners. The shell road system which surrounds the city could hardly be improved. They connect the city with the resorts on Lake Pontchartrain and with the club house of the Louisiana Motor League at Chef Menteur, 30 miles out. Unquestionably the most popular short drive out of the city is to the monument on the battlefield at Chalmette, where General Jackson directed one of the most spectacular victories ever won under the stars and stripes.



The Readers' Clearing House



Favors Mushroom Type Chicago Reader Takes Exception to Discussion of Valve-Lifter Types by Motor Age

CHICAGO—Editor Motor Age—Taking exception to the answer regarding the relative action of roller and mushroom valve-lifters in the January 9 issue of Motor Age, I think that some of the statements made are misleading in the ignoring of the offset construction of the usual cam in relation to the larger mushroom valve-lifters which transforms them virtually into roller rather than friction types through the rotating of the follower about its vertical axis as the cam thrusts.

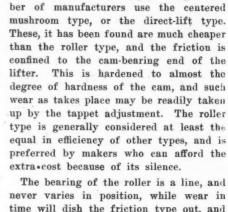
The Readers' Clearing House states that more clearance must be allowed between valve stem and tappet in the mush-

lift of the valve even may be a trifle less than with the roller type and get the same results. The cam can be designed for noiseless action with as little loss of efficiency as other types and the manufacturing is much cheaper. By setting the cam to one side of the valve stem center a rolling contact is obtained without extra mechanism and with only a negligible amount of side thrust on the tappet. The cam shape differences between the two types are determined wholly by the form of follower and for no other reason. I would like to hear further from Motor Age on this.—Jack Kneiff.

There are two types of mushroom valvelifters, one the revolving type, and the other the direct-lift type. The majority of mushroom valve-lifters are of the centered type. What Mr. Kneiff has to say regarding those of the revolving or offset EDITOR'S NOTE—To the readers of the Clearing House columns: Motor Age insists on having bona fide signatures to all communications published in this department, not necessarily for publication but as an evidence of good faith. Motor Age will not publish communications where this rule is not lived up to.

by it as pay for the decrease in cam wear.

Rather than use this type, a large num-



The bearing of the roller is a line, and never varies in position, while wear in time will dish the friction type out, and throw the acceleration out of time. Fig. 4 shows this comparison, while Fig. 6 shows three examples of American practice in lifter design.

In respect to Mr. Kneiff's statement that the convex cam belongs to the roller type, and the straight type belongs to the flat-faced mushroom revolving disk or direct type, Fig. 2 shows the action of an exhaust valve. If the straight face is used for the flat-faced type, the point of bearing will start at A and travel to B, when the rate of drop of the cam will exceed the speed of the spring-return at high to medium speeds, and the lifter will drop, hammering the cam on its flat face. This is the secret of the superior silence of the roller type.

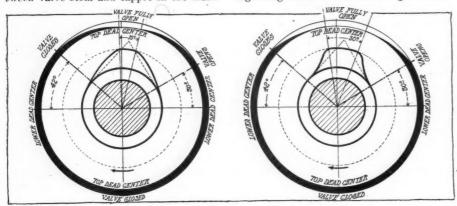


FIG. 1-SHOWING WHY CONCAVE-CUT CAMS ARE BEST

room type on account of the lost motion in the latter, than on the roller construction. It is stated also that there is virtually constant contact in the roller type and a hammering in the mushroom type. The shape of cams shown certainly did not illustrate this point. If they had been interchanged the point might have been made.

However, the whole discussion centers on cam design and it is just as possible to make a cam with the mushroom follower that will follow during the whole revolution as with the roller type. It is just a question of what one wants to sacrifice in either case, noise or efficiency. The writer for a number of reasons not wholly theoretical favors the mushroom type for ordinary purposes. Though the roller wears longer theoretically, a properly-designed mushroom follower will last fully as long in practice. There need be no more clearance than with the roller type and no more lost motion. The opening and closing of the valve can be made quicker than with the roller type without undue noise and side thrust, and thus more power gained in the cylinder. The

type is largely to be endorsed, but as is shown in Fig. 4 the revolving mushroom, or as it should be called, the disk type of lifter is not entirely without fault.

The drawing shows the constant side stress that is exerted by the offset cam, and the increased friction that is exacted

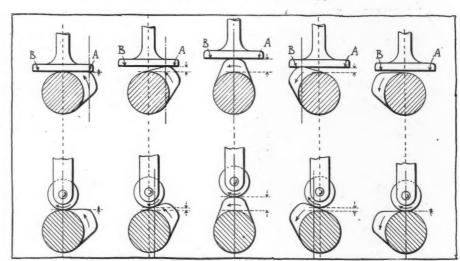


FIG. 2—WHY FLAT LIFTERS WEAR AND ARE NOISY AND WHY ROLLER LIFTERS LEAD LONG AND SILENT LIVES

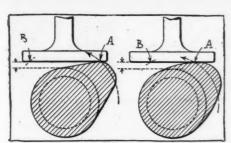


FIG. 3—NECESSITY FOR CONVEX CAMS WITH FLAT LIFTERS

To quiet the flat type, it has to be cut convex, to prevent this sudden drop, and to make the point of contact at the time of hammering a line, and not a plane. This convexity also narrows the travel of the point of contact, as shown in Fig. 3. But, as shown in the chart, Fig. 1, this is not the ideal form, in fact, experience shows that the ideal cam is concave, to give a rapid lift, and a sudden drop, keeping the cam open the longest possible time. This cam shape is practicable only with the roller cam.

From the foregoing, it is to be concluded that from a theoretical standpoint, roller cams permit the cam to be so formed that the valves open more quickly and stay fully open for a longer period, with the same valve timing; as the cam may be designed for the utmost efficiency, not requiring a special form to allow for the faults of the lifter. What is true in theory is usually to some extent in practice.

MOTOR WINCH EXPLAINED

Du Bois, Pa.—Editor Motor Age—In the issue of December 5, 1912, in H. C. Lester's article on the Borderland Trail, reference is made to a light rope, pin, and hammer necessary in applying the windlass hitch to the car when stalled in mud or sand. Would Motor Age kindly describe this windlass hitch or appliance?—A Reader.

This appliance is illustrated in use in Fig. 5. It consists of a rope or cable, sufficiently stout to serve as a tow-line, a stake, preferably of tough hard wood,

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and a heavy hammer or hatchet, the ax referred to may be used, to drive the stake into the ground. On cars in which the rear wheel hub extends out beyond the wheel, this is all that is necessary. Tie the rope to one spoke of the wheel, close to the hub, and the other end to the stake, several feet in front of the car. Go into low gear, and let in the clutch gradually. The rope will be wound up on the hub, converting the latter into a windlass. This will extricate a car from the mud more quickly, easily, and cheaply than any other means.

When the rope has covered the hub, it will slip off, when the brake should be applied, and a fresh hitch secured on the spoke. The wheel in the figure has had

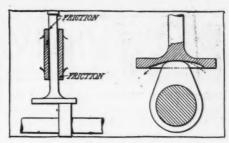


FIG. 4-FAULTS OF FLAT LIFTERS

woodworker. The back-plate is split, so it may be placed about the axle. In touring, the not-too-fastidious tourist will leave such a windlass on his car. The ambitious workman will devise some means of securing the windlass to the brakedrum direct, but as far as practical value is concerned the attachment shown herewith will serve its purpose.

TIMING AIR-COOLER

Hendricks, Minn.—Editor Motor Age—Will you tell me how to set air-cooled engine valves?—E. W. Senn.

In an air-cooled engine, as in any other, .

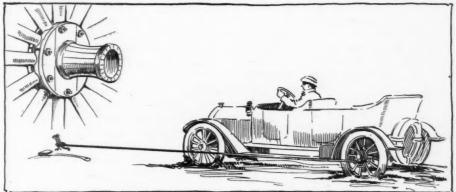


FIG. 5-PULLING CAR FROM MUD BY OWN POWER

its third hitch. Some cars have the hubplate or cap almost flush with the wheel, so that a reel of some sort must be applied.

Such an attachment is shown in the figure, and can be made by any good

no attempt should be made to re-time the valves without gear-marks or an authentic formula. If you have an engine that is taken down, and you do not know how to set the timing gears, first look for marks on the timing gears. It will probably require some searching to find them. If these are not to be found, write the maker of the motor for a valve-timing formula.

DIFFERENTIAL WHEEL SPEEDS

Martin, Tenn.—Editor Motor Age—In turning a curve which wheel of a car turns faster than the other?

2—Do not the front wheels run at the same speed, while the outside rear wheel runs slightly slower than the front wheels, and the inside rear wheel still slower than the other three?—B. F. Lavendar.

1-The outside wheels normally revolve faster than the inner ones.

2—The outer front wheel and the outer rear wheel should turn at the same speeds, in describing a circle, if the car tracks properly. Both inner wheels should turn at equal speeds. In actual practice, in rounding curves, the rear wheels usually do revolve faster than the front ones, but this is due to loss of traction.

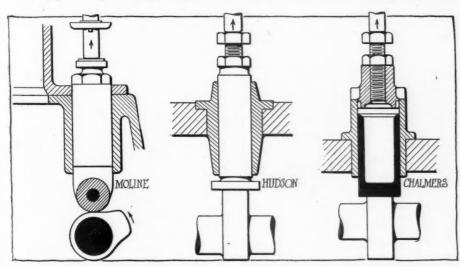


FIG. 6—MOLINE ROLLER LIFTER, HUDSON MUSHROOM TYPE, AND HOLLOW STRAIGHT TYPE ON CHALMERS

(he Motor Car Repair Shop)

Making Socket Wrenches

Making socket or pipe wrenches may seem a very difficult matter to the novice, but in reality their making is comparatively easy. The only necessary material for the construction of a socket wrench is a piece of pipe. The diameter of the pipe depends upon the size of nut for which the wrench is intended.

The first thing to do in making the wrench is to fit the nut into the end of the pipe, as shown in Fig. 1. As will be noticed, if a square nut is used, the diameter of the pipe must be equal to the diagonal of the nut. The depth of the wrench mouth may be made any distance by inserting more of the same nuts. For example, if the repairman wishes to make a wrench with its mouth 3 inches long and the nut is only ½ inch high, it will require the insertion into the mouth of the pipe of six nuts.

After the nuts have been inserted the parts of the pipe facing the sides of the nut are flattened in a vise. All four sides are flattened and then the nut or nuts in the now squared end pipe are removed. Tapping the pipe against the work bench usually causes the nut to drop out.

A hole of convenient size, usually ¼ inch, is then drilled through the pipe about 1 inch from the top, Fig. 2, and through it a rod is passed. The rod is used for turning the wrench.

The almost completed wrench is shown in Fig. 2. The only thing that remains is to case harden the mouth of the tool.

Scraping Battery Plates

Scraping the plates of storage batteries is a practice that often is used with the idea that the battery will not need recharging, but if the action that takes place within the cell is known, it will be evident that plate scraping is detrimental to battery life.

When a battery needs recharging, it is due to the fact that lead sulphate has formed in the lead plate and on the surfaces of the plate. This substance is not acted upon by the acid in the battery and since the sulphate deposits itself in the form of a film over the plate surfaces, the plate is immune to the action of the acid, hence the battery needs recharging.

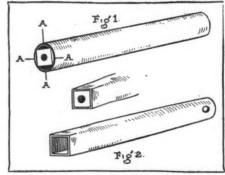
When the recharge current is sent into the battery it decomposes the sulphuric acid into sulphur dioxide and hydrogen gases and these act on the plates and remove the sulphate of lead. As soon as this is off the plates the action in the battery will continue of its own accorduntil the plates are again saturated with sulphate of lead.

If the plates are scraped the gelatinous mass on the surface is removed but that contained in the pores of the lead, remains. We see then that scraping the

plates really does not help it materially for there is still some sulphate of lead in the battery. However, if out on a country road and the motor is running on battery current and this suddenly begins to fall off, there is no reason for not scraping the plates. It will be far cheaper to scrape the plates, perhaps with good results, than to send to the city for a tow. But under ordinary conditions the battery plates should be permitted to free themselves of the sulphate chemically.

Recharging Magneto Magnets

It is a very simple matter to recharge a set of magneto magnets providing one has the facilities and knows how to use them. For instance, in Fig. 3 is shown the electro magnet employed in the repairshop of a large taxicab company, for the purpose of recharging magnets. It comprises two heavy coils of insulated 20-gauge wire, wound so as to give 10,000 ampere turns to the square inch. The windings are around soft iron cores $1\frac{\pi}{10}$ inches in diameter. The bottom ends of



THREE STEPS IN MAKING SOCKET WRENCHES

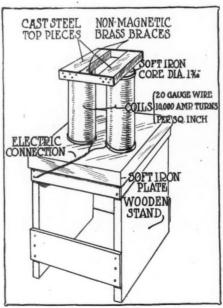


FIG. 3—APPARATUS FOR RECHARGING MAGNETS

these cores are secured or embedded in a heavy soft cast iron base plate; whilst rectangular cast steel pole pieces, countersunk to fit over the top ends of the cores, are provided. These pole pieces are braced and held parallel by means of two non-magnetic brass strips. This electromagnet is mounted substantially on a wooden stand as indicated, which brings the . pole-pieces of the magneto to about the height of the hips of an ordinary sized workman, thus rendering the operation of recharging convenient. The two cores are wound in opposite directions to form a north and south pole, and the proper magnetizing strength is obtained when a current of 40 volts at 3 amperes is passed through the windings.

The operation of recharging a magnet already has been very thoroughly described and illustrated in the Readers' Clearing House columns of the Motor Age, and full details may be obtained by any reader through this department. In short it simply consists in wiping and rocking the poles of the magnet over the pole pieces of the electro-magnet, having due regard for the relative polarity of the magnets.

Weak Magnets Cause Misfiring

When a magneto has been in constant use for a considerable length of time, misfiring and a consequent loss of power may be exhibited by the motor, due to lack of sufficient heat in the spark caused by a weakening of the magnets. The misfiring, in such a case, is particularly noticeable at slow speeds when the magneto is not operating at a high enough speed to generate a strong current.

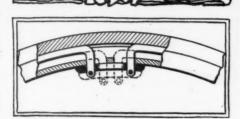
The best remedy for trouble from this source is obtained by having the magnets of the magneto recharged; but temporary relief often may be obtained by adjusting the points of the spark plugs so that all are brought a little closer together; and all equally distant apart; that is, the gap between the points should be the same on all plugs. If the gaps are not all the same, then the plug with the widest gap generally will be the first to misfire, as a result of weak magnets.

When running a car slowly on the highspeed gear, the engine may be turning over so slowly that the magneto will not generate the required current, and misfiring accompanied by a jerky action of the car will take place. When this occurs, one should either shift to a lower gear, or switch over onto the battery. The better plan is to shift to the lower gear, if in congested traffic when the car speed cannot be increased; for by so doing one speeds up the engine and magneto; more current is generated, a hotter spark is produced, and misfiring is eliminated. Current Motor Car Patents

FIAT Differential Shaft Drive—Nos. 1,-050,049 and 1,050,050-To Giovanni Angelli, Turin, Italy, assignor, by mense assignments to the Fiat company, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Filed January 16, 1907, and the latter divided and application filed December 15, 1909. Dated January 7, 1913. These two patents refer to an axle mechanism in which the drive axles are on an angle with one another, forming an arched or cambered axle, a differential drive through double concentric propeller shafts and a pressed steel housing for the same. The first patent relates to a driving shaft, connected through a universal joint to a differential gear, the weight of which is carried by the frame, in the main, instead of by the axle. This differential is of the bevel-gear type, and drives respectively a shaft and a sleeve inclosing the shaft. These drive the divided driveaxle through bevel gears, carried in the rear axle housing. The second patent covers a three-part pressed steel axle and shaft housing.

Automatic Signal-No. 1,049,749-To Charles F. Marston, Great Neck, N. Y. Filed June 11, 1910, dated January 7, 1913. To warn following vehicles of the intent of the driver of a motor car to stop, this signal comprises a casing, secured to the rear of the car, in which a signal, mounted on a journaled shaft, is disposed. This shaft is operated by a gear in mesh with another gear, connected to a drum. On this drum is a spring, adapted to hold it in a position wherein the signal is revolved in the casing to a position where it is not visible. A cable or cord connected with the brake-operating mechanism revolves the drum when the brake is applied, thereby turning the signal-carrying shaft to a position where the signal is visible as a warning.

Packard Compression Release — No. 1,049,487—To Russell Huff, Detroit, Mich., assignor by mesne assignment to Packard Motor Car Co., Detroit, Mich. Filed July 20, 1906, dated January 7, 1913. As an aid to starting, this device consists of a slidable exhaust-valve camshaft, whereby



BOOTH RIM

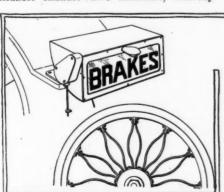
the compression of the engine may be relieved, to facilitate the hand-rotation of the crankshaft. It consists of a camshaft with two sets of cams, the first for the normal operation of the valves and the second to raise the valves slightly from their seats. The sliding of the camshaft is accomplished by means of a spindle connected with the camshaft, in such a way as to permit its rotation, and operable by a suitable handle. In operation, this handle is drawn out, which moves the shaft inward, bringing the auxiliary cams into play, raising the valves and permitting the easy cranking of the motor.

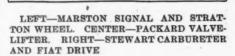
Stewart Oil Carbureter-No. 1,049,417-To Alfred C. Stewart, Los Angeles, Cal. Filed February 27, 1911, dated January 7, 1913. For the use of the less volatile oils, such as kerosene, as a fuel for internal combustion engines, this patent relates to a carbureter of the float-feed type, comprising a gasoline chamber with an oil inlet controlled by a float and valve, an air chamber and a fuel well open to the atmosphere. The latter is slightly below the fuel level, and has a valve communication with the float chamber. In the air chamber, which also has an opening to the atmosphere, is a piston valve, normally seated by its own weight. From the fuel well a tube extends to the exhaust manifold, or other warming means, and discharges in the inlet manifold. The air chamber communicates with the inlet manifold through a butterfly throttle. A

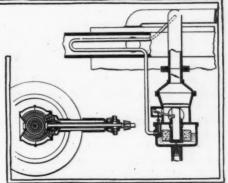
linkage connects the air-valve and the gasoline valve, so that upon the suction of the engine unseating the air-valve, the fuel valve is also opened. At low speeds, the bulk of air drawn in by the engine is taken through the warm tube from the fuel wall, where it is mixed with fuel vapor. As the speed of the engine increases, the suction raises the air valve, and with it the fuel valve, permitting a greater proportion of air and a greater quantity of both air and fuel. With the throttle closed, no suction is present to raise the air valve, so that both valves are closed.

Booth Q. D. Split-ring-No. 1,049,442-To William N. Booth, Cleveland, O. Filed December 5, 1910, dated January 7, 1913. In a Q. D. rim, provided with a split locking ring, which is normally contracted within an annular groove in the rim, this device consists of a retaining slip-ring to be placed over the extending lugs at the extremities of the ring to hold it in either expanded or contracted position. This consists of a link with two sets of slots, the outer set being so spaced as to hold the ring expanded so as to permit its removal from the rim, and the inner so as to secure it in the contracted position, retaining it on the rim.

Spring Wheel-No. 1,059,418-To Harper E. Stratton, Empire, O. Filed December 12, 1911, dated January 7, 1913. Spring spokes constitute the resilient element of this wheel, the spokes being composed of bowed steel straps of spring steel, bolted in opposing pairs to lugs on the felloe of the wheel, and flexibly held in slots in the hub. The hub is provided with recesses in its periphery, these recesses being separated by radially directed ribs. Between the recesses, in which the spokes are free to slide, are wedge-blocks adapted to keep the spokes spaced. In action, the spokes are bowed under impact, those bowed being pushed into the slots or recesses, and those opposite drawn outwards slightly. This wheel would also take torsional shocks, such as driving and braking.







Inspection by Electric Truck Makers

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T is a wise manufacturer who knows his own trucks. There was a time when a motor truck was considered off the hands of the manufacturer once it was sold and delivered. Nowadays the up-to-date firm keeps track of its vehicles after they are sold, watching the users to see that the machines are not abused, checking up drivers to see that they are handling the trucks with discretion, and assisting in every way to make the vehicles a success after they are sold.

There is a reason for this. It has been found that nearly every firm which purchases a truck and makes a success of its use buys another, and often with the larger firms buys a whole fleet, generally of the make of the first. If the first truck is not successful it is probable that the firm will be doubly hard to convince when it comes to making a further sale, if it listens at all.

If the first truck makes good, and it is necessary for it to do well to make the second sale, it is equally important that the two trucks make good as a recommendation toward the use of further machines

Not Always Car's Fault

In these days of well-built trucks when one fails to show a gain over horsed systems it rarely is the fault of the machine but of the way it is used. On this account firms are not only making regular inspections of the vehicles they have sold to see that they are mechanically right, but a number have hired special transportation experts to inspect and report as well on how the trucks are used in a business way. If these men see that a change in shipping room facilities will help to make the truck more successful they suggest the change, or if there is a quicker loading or unloading scheme that could be used they offer that.

A truck is above all a business servant and on its success as a servant depends its reception in any industry. If an improper loading platform keeps the truck

FIG. 2-INSPECTOR'S REPORT TO FACTORY

from serving a store the truck is just as much a failure in that business as it is as though the motor would not run without overheating, for the loading platform so far as the store is concerned is a part of the truck at the hours when the vehicle is adjacent to it. This being the case, if the manufacturer wants his machine to make good and obtain records he must check up loading platforms and shipping clerks as much as vehicle platforms and drivers.

The latter line is new, and as yet no figures or report blanks for this work are available, but for the mechanical inspection of the vehicles there are excellent forms in use.

With electric trucks a periodical inspection is most necessary and many factories keep a record giving the condition of every car sold at stated intervals of

This is even more important with electrics than with gasoline trucks, for the life of a storage battery depends directly on the care given it, and these monthly inspections can give to the manufacturer reasons for failures here and there before they become serious enough to spoil a battery, and to suggest changes which will head off disaster. In some cases it has been stated manufacturers have taken machines from customers and returned their money rather than have them abuse the trucks for faults brought on through their own neglect or carelessness. Whether this be true or not it is a fact that the man who injures a car which he has pur-

chased and which belongs to him legally is at the same time injuring the manufacturer of the machine to almost if not quite the extent which would obtain if the car were still the property of the maker and only loaned to the user. The damage to the one car comes out of the pocket of the buyer, it is true, but the damaged reputation of the machine may be a greater loss to the manufacturer than the cost of many vehicles. Thus it has been found important that factory and dealer keep track of all cars sold.

There are three main branches of the records covering the inspections. First, the factory wants to know of the dealer how things are going, and if the dealer is doing his inspection duty as well as whether the car is giving satisfactory service. Then the inspector, who may be sent out by the local dealer under factory supervision, must report to the dealer.

As a double check on the batteries the makers of these units have their own inspection of cells at stated periods so that so far as batteries are concerned both the makers of the car and the makers of the batteries look for trouble every so often.

Garages handling electric trucks also have their regular inspections of cars and these very often combine their own reports with those of the dealer in reporting to the factory; that is, the dealer may have his inspection work done by a local garage and for the factory office.

Baker Company's System

The Baker Motor Vehicle Co., Cleveland, O., in the following up of vehicles sold considers the eastern half of the United States as divided up into six territories. Each of these territories, so far as service is concerned, and to a large extent in the development of sales, is handled from a branch office, or similar central station. These branches or stations are located in Boston, New York, Cleveland, Chicago, Kansas City and Atlanta. The territory thus covered extends as far west as parallel 100.

The Pacific coast is handled in a similar manner with a central station located in San Francisco and is under the direction of a general sales and service representative. Each of these territories has numerous sub-branches or agencies. For instance, on the Pacific coast, Los Angeles and Sacramento in California, Portland in Oregon, Spokane and Seattle in Washington. In the eastern territories are sim-

From each of these branches or central stations the company maintains inspectors in accordance with the demand which may exist through the number of trucks in operation in the territory controlled from that station.

When installing a new truck service the inspector from the proper branch assists the customer to all reasonable extent in arranging for proper garaging facilities. This is important, for an experienced man can quickly tell if a garage is competent to handle the work. This inspector also helps in the instruction of drivers and in general instruction in the care and use of the car.

For the first 3 months that the new machine is in service the inspector visits and inspects every 30 days. If at the end of this time the machines are properly handled and seem to be giving good service and are doing their work satisfactorily in every respect the inspection period is extended to once every 60 days. This continues for the balance of the first year. After this an inspection is made three or four times a year, as an inspector may happen to be in that locality.

This is a general schedule that it is attempted to maintain. If machines are not receiving proper attention more frequent calls must be made.

Good System Used

In keeping records when a truck is shipped a final inspection card is filled out as shown in Fig. 1. This card is made in duplicate, one part being sent to the branch in the territory to which the car is being shipped. On the reverse of the card is a space for performance record. Here is jotted down any service records and any troubles that the machine may ever encounter.

Fig. 2 shows the inspector's report to

from the inspector, but the factory compiles this report on the basis of the inspection. This report is made out in duplicate, one for the branch office and the card for the factory. The factory reports to the customer, points out such suggestions for better service as may occur, and in the case of motor trucks these may apply to service as well as mechanical

The Anderson Electric Car Co. of Detroit aims to keep very close to the owners of the Detroit electric cars to assist toward satisfactory service in every way possible. Reports are made out by owners or superintendents or by inspectors from the company every 30 to 40 days. The regular inspection blank is shown in Fig. 3. This sort of service is maintained in New York, Chicago, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Detroit and other cities, where the firm is directly represented. Besides this the dealers have inspection systems of their own requiring as a rule that the machine be brought to the garage every so often for thus purpose. The company says:

"The electric motor if watched never should cause trouble, so you can readily see how important it is for us to lay particular stress on care being given and proper adjustments made on our cars. If this much is done then it is entirely up to the driver as to whether or not he is towed in with the car. In other words,

the factory. No reports go to the user if he hits a curb, or runs into holes, or does not watch his meters properly, he is the one who will suffer and not the garage man.

"We have a further check on the battery, due to the inspectors of the Edison battery all over the country. They keep in close touch with their product. In fact, this is true of all the leading battery manufacturers. Our cars are getting what might be called a dual inspection."

An Eastern Method

The Commercial Truck Co. of America, located at Philadelphia, is at present chiefly endeavoring to market its product in Philadelphia, New York and Boston. Regarding inspection, this is done by experts and a report on all of the cars in service is made once or twice every month. The inspector's sheet contains a number of important items to be checked, as well as the general condition of the car. On receipt of this report the head office takes steps to rectify any trouble or misapplication that may be apparent.

In the event of breakage or need of replacement of a part the firm has spares, such as wheels, batteries, etc., to rent the user at a nominal charge while the parts of the car broken are being repaired.

Minor adjustments are made by the inspector at the time of inspection, and where repairs of a more serious nature are necessary the work is done as a rule by the service department of the firm.

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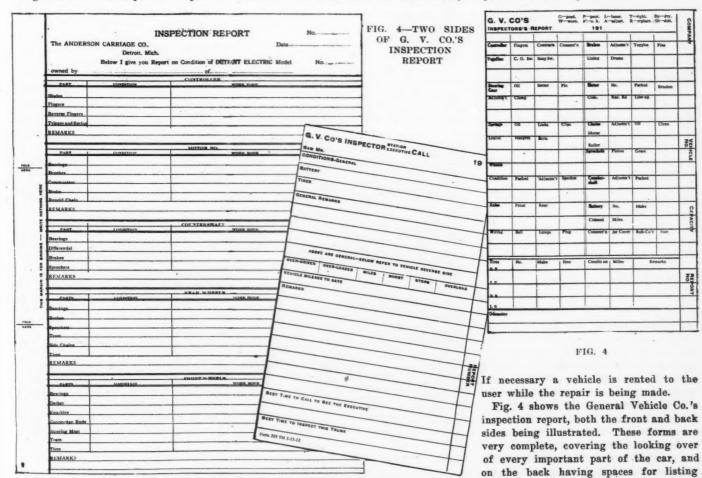


FIG. 3-CAR INSPECTION REPORT OF ANDERSON COMPANY

ONE County Without a Car—There is only one county in Alabama without a motor car. This is Winston county. There are a number of counties in the state that have no railroads.

Southerners Promoting a Run—The Atlanta Automobile and Accessory Association has appointed a committee to co-operate with a similar committee of the Jacksonville Automobile Club in promoting a run from Jacksonville, Fla., to Atlanta, Ga., in April.

Champaign Elects Officers—At a meeting of the Champaign County Automobile Club of Champaign, Ill., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Harry Herrick; vice-president, Edward Kirkpatrick; secretary, Charles D. Stevens; treasurer, Eugene I. Burke. The membership has grown to 100.

Road Work in Alabama—During 1912 the Alabama state highway commission had actual charge of the construction of 118 miles of improved roads. For the most part the work was done on short sections leading out from a town into the most populous farming district. The advantage of the one road soon is expected to convince farmers on other roads of the necessity of a similar improvement. Increased taxes have repaid the state for its expenditure.

Against Horsepower Registration—Motorists in Ohio are preparing to oppose the passage of a law by the legislature, changing the system of registration fees from a flat rate for electrics and gasoline cars, to a sliding scale based on the horsepower of vehicles. Governor Cox, who was inaugurated as chief executive January 13, is heartily in favor of the sliding scale. It is suggested that the fees be fixed from \$5 to \$30 yearly, according to the horsepower of the motor vehicles registered.

Motor Cars Not Baggage—The Texas state railroad commission has issued an order amending its circular relating to the transportation of baggage from passenger trains in this state so as to provide that motor cars shall not be accepted as baggage in regular baggage cars, but they may be transported in extra baggage cars at additional compensation. A charge of 10 cents per mile for motor cars or other motor propelled vehicles, with a minimum of \$5 for each motor car in addition to the regular charges for extra cars is provided.

Kentucky's Tag Report—The growth of the use of the motor car in Kentucky is reflected in the semiannual report of Secretary of State C. F. Crecelius, made January 1, 1913, to the state auditor, H. M. Bosworth. The clerk has collected in the calendar year ending December 31, 1912, within \$8,065.20 as much for licenses as was collected during the preceding 18 months, from June 13, 1910, when the law went into effect, until December 31, 1911. The total collected for licenses in 1912 was \$37,260.30. For the first year under the

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law, from June 13, 1910, to June 14, 1911, collections amounted to \$23,340.50, and for the 18 months until December 31, 1911, they were \$45,325.50.

Illinois Has Concrete Road—The concrete highway between De Kalb and Sycamore, a distance of 5 miles, has just been completed and is the first of the kind of any considerable length in Illinois. The width is 12 feet.

Would Slow Doctors—An effort is being made by members of the Milwaukee common council to revoke the resolution adopted 8 years ago whereby physicians on duty were given special privileges by being permitted to exceed the speed limit set down by the state law for cities and villages.

Due to Good Roads—Twice as many bales of cotton are being hauled at one load between Anniston and Jacksonville, Ala., due to the building of the model road last year. Even the worst enemies of road improvement have been converted, as land values along the line of the new road have increased 20 per cent during the fall. Additional road work has been ordered and will begin in the spring.

Michigan After Gasoline Law—Every Michigan motor car owner is interested in a bill prepared for the legislature by Representative L. J. Wolcott, of Albion. The bill is aimed to regulate the sale and quantity of gasoline in Michigan. It provides for a specific gravity of at least 60 degrees Beaume for all gasoline and the labeling of all containers with the specific gravity of the gasoline they hold. All below 60 degrees must be labeled naphtha.

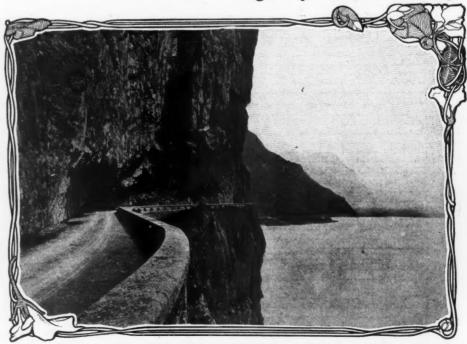
The bill also provides for state inspection of all gasoline, the law on the statute books at present providing only for the inspection of kerosene.

Wilmington Signboarding—For the benefit of visiting motorists who are passing through Wilmington, Del., and also for Delaware motorists who are not familiar with the city highways and their leads, the street and sewer department, which has control of the streets, has erected large, plain, legible signs on lamp posts in different sections of the city giving the directions to the next towns.

Texas Has Motor Mail Service—It is announced that the federal postoffice department has let the contract for the establishment of a motor car mail line between Roswell and Carrizozo, N. M. This line will be about 80 miles long. The new service will be started February 1, at which time the Roswell-Vaughn line will be discontinued. The line to Carrizozo will give about a half-dozen offices in Lincoln county a daily mail service.

Information for Tourists — Announcement has been made by the New Jersey and Wilmington Ferry Co., operating a line between Wilmington and Penn's Grove, N. J., that it has bought a regulation ferryboat, with a capacity for 1,000 passengers and twenty-five vehicles, which will replace an excursion boat, the Ulrica, which has been operated on this line. As it is understood to be the intention of the state of New Jersey to complete the boulevard connecting Penn's Grove with Atlantic City, the new ferry will make

Highways Constructed as



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possible a direct short route to the seashore for motorists in all states south of Delaware, and will make it unnecessary to go to Philadelphia to ferry across the river.

Dr. Dutton Honored-Dr. C. E. Dutton, president of the Minnesota State Automobile Association, has been elected health commissioner for Minneapolis upon vote of the new city council.

Minnesota Shows a Gain-In 1912 28,700 cars were registered by owners in Minnesota. This is an increase of 17,075 over 1910 and 9,425 over 1911. This increase at an average price of \$1,000 a car means that \$9,425,000 has been spent by Minnesota people in buying new cars in the year just closed.

New Road in Yucatan-Arrangements have been completed for the building of a motor road between Merida and Progreso, Yucatan. This will tend to a much greater use of motor cars in the Mexican state, it is expected. At present all cars owned in Merida are confined to the limits of the city's streets as the country roads are too rocky to permit of motor travel. The new road is to be surfaced with macadam.

Tip for Tourists-Apparently the project for a motor highway from Savannah to Jacksonville will at last be successful. For a long time an effort was made to bridge the Altamaha river, but the project was found to be too costly. A ferry has now been established at Oglethorpe landing, 8 miles from Jessup. The roads on both sides the ferry are in good condition. Interested

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parties have agreed to see that a 400-foot bridge is built over a low place in the road on the Liberty county side, and clay that road, while only a short distance remains to be clayed to give a hard road from the river into Jessup.

After the Small Boy-Solitary confinement for at least 1 hour in a dark dungeon in the city jail is a rule by which the police of Montgomery, Ala., hope to break up the practice of boys hanging on behind motor cars. The increasing popularity of the use of roller skates on the asphalt pavements has aggravated the evil. Boys were supplying themselves with hooks so as to make their grip more certain.

Georgia's Registration Count-Conservatively estimated, the value of the motor cars in use in the state of Georgia, reckoned by the registration on file in the office of the secretary of state, is \$21,360,000. The figures show approximately that there are 600 motor cycles and some 400 electric machines, leaving approximately 17,300 gasoline cars and trucks. The registration for 1912 shows 5,833.

To Open Yosemite to Motors-Access by motor car to the wonderful Yosemite valley is provided for in the budget of the department of the interior. The budget suggested by Secretary Fisher increases the appropriation of \$80,000 for the Yosemite national park to \$223,703. The important item stipulated is that relating to the Oak Flat road from Gentrys to the floor of the valley. This road, which is about 12 miles long, will be thoroughly improved. According to the budget no provision has been made for improving the

road from Wahwona. The recommendation provides the money shall be expended during the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1914. which will mean the valley may be reached during the San Francisco exposition year

New Club in Washington-A new motor organization to be known as the Washington Motorists' Association is being formed to take the place of the Automobile Club of Washington, which was disbanded several weeks ago.

Helping in Ohio-State Highway Commissioner Marker of Ohio has two plans for road improvement, one of them completing roads to various markets that will amount to about 9,000 miles and establishing fine highway traveling for about 90 per cent of the market dealers of the state, the other is for roads built by the government with state aid. The plans are not yet fully developed, but nine such cross roads have already been marked out.

Elgin Organizes Club-The secretary of state of Illinois has issued articles of incorporation for the Elgin Motor Club. The incorporators are John A. Logan, Theodore J Schmitz and Frederick W. Jencks. The club will campaign Kane county systematically in the interests of the good roads movement. Cars will carry speakers from town to town and an effort made to educate the people in the proposed bond issue of \$1,000,000 in that county for the construction of good roads.

Michigan Discusses Taxes - Attorney General Roger I. Wykes, at Lansing, Mich., has approved the bill which the Michigan State Good Roads Association will present to the legislature for the purpose of licensing motor cars and turning the money over to the state highway department. Attorney General Wykes gave his opinion upon request of Philip T. Colgrove, of Hastings, president of the good roads association. He recommends, however, that motor cars be relieved of local taxes and that the proposed license fee be raised.

Pending Missouri Legislation-As soon as the Missouri legislature meets in January, at Jefferson City, two or three bills will be introduced to change the Missouri motor law. The officers of the Automobile Club of St. Louis are behind one of the measures which aims to more justly equalize the licenses, speed and other conditions. The St. Louis Automobile Manufacturers' and Dealers' Association will introduce a bill to give a mechanic's lien on a car or any other vehicle for repair work done thereon. The legislative committee of the Automobile Club of St. Louis will look after some very important legislation. One of the most important measures will be the proposed law making it a felony to take or tamper with a motor vehicle without the consent of the owner. The proposed law also provides that if the offender is a chauffeur the license be revoked and not be renewed for a period of





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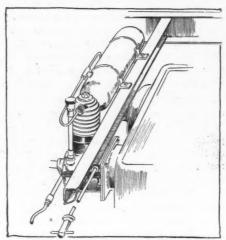
Locomobile in Three Chassis for 1913

F UNDAMENTAL design remains unchanged in the 1913 production of locomobiles. The two cars produced last year, the four and large six, are retained with minor mutations of details of design. Interest attaches chiefly in the small six, which is a 1913 debutante. The continued models are model M, six cylinders, 4½ by 5½, rated at 48-horsepower, and model L, of four cylinders, with cylinders 4½ square, and rated at 30-horsepower. The new six is known as model R, and with cylinders 4½ by 5, is rated at 38-horsepower.

The principal changes to be noted are in the motor dimensions on the larger six-cylinder car. The stroke has been increased to 5½ inches and this has, of course, necessitated changes in the connecting rod and cylinder lengths. An increase in the horsepower of the motor has been the effect of this change, the motor showing 82-horsepower at 1,800 revolutions per minute. Electric starting has been adopted in preference to the former acetylene system.

Improvement of Details

Other changes which may be remarked are the increased valve sizes, changes in the form of the inlet and exhaust passages and a new design of locomobile carbureter. The latter differs from the former locomobile product by its longer throat and the use of both hot-air and hot-water jackets. A six-magnet magneto takes the place of the former type, while refinements in the oiling system of the 1913 cars consist of a shift of the oiling pump drive from the exhaust to the inlet side of the motor. The oil level petcock has been placed on the



TIRE PUMP ON LOCOMOBILE

left side of the oil reservoir in the motor base. A new type of main bearing oil lead has been fitted to give an increased flow of the lubricant and also to give a more direct flow.

Changes in the cooling system consist in the enlargement of the radiator and pump as well as the water jackets. The installation of the generator for the electric lighting system has necessitated a change in the water inlet manifold. Increases in the size of parts in the transmission units have been necessitated by the larger power which they are compelled to carry. Tires are now carried at the rear on brackets, which are a unit with the frame of the car, and the running boards have been left clear to give a clean appearance. A motor tire pump forms part of the 1913 equipment.

As the practice is the same in the de-

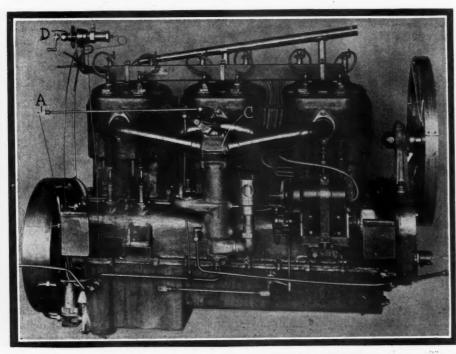
sign and construction of both sixes, a description of the smaller will cover the general design. The exterior appearance of the motor is shown herewith. It will be noted that the cylinders are cast in pairs and are mounted with a space between giving a hint of large bearing space. It will be seen that the cylinders are T-shaped castings. The 51/2-inch long pistons are composed of grey iron and are fitted with five rings, four of which are located above the wrist pin. A ring, which serves as an oildistributor, is at the bottom. The wrist pins are located at the centers of the pistons and are held in place by two studs, which are locked by a wire passing across their inner extremities. The material in the piston pin is chrome nickel steel casehardened and fitted with a bronze bushing to form the upper connecting rod bearing. The diameter of the wrist pin is %-inch on the large six, which may be taken as a standard to show the proportions which exist throughout Locomobile design.

Bearings are Generous

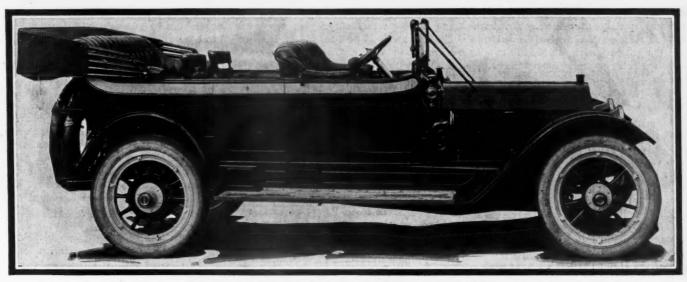
Connecting rods are 11% inches in length and composed of chrome-nickel steel. The crank bearings on the big six are 2½ inches in length and on the little six are 2 inches. The seven-bearing crankshafts have large bearings between the cylinder blocks and smaller bearings between cylinders forming part of the same casting. The smaller main bearings on the big six are 1½ inches and those between blocks are 2½ inches. The crankshaft is composed of chrome-nickel steel and supported on the seven bearings lined with Parson's white metal bushings in a stiff and lasting installation.

In the valve action the cams act directly upon the rollers, giving a minimum of linkage with silent and quick action. The tappet guides are lengthened out to prevent a troublesome leakage of oil around this part of the motor. No covers are placed over the valve action, silence being secured by a close adjustment between the tappet and valve stem. A cold clearance of .003-inch is allowed at this point. The cams are cut integrally with the camshaft and hence have no tendency to become loose. The camshaft is driven through the spiral timing set.

The cooling circulation is attended to by a centrifugal pump, located on the right side of the motor. It is shown herewith, near the forward end of the motor, and is operated off the same shaft as the generator. As may be seen from this view, the water intake manifold has been lifted above the generator and runs back just below the exhaust pipe. Cooling is further aided by a six-bladed aluminum fan mounted on a bracket fixed to the timing gear case. The radiator is made larger for this season.



INTAKE SIDE OF LOCOMOBILE LIGHT SIX MOTOR



LOCOMOBILE MODEL 38 SEVEN-PASSENGER TOURING CAR

The ignition system is of the high tension dual type, consisting of magneto, storage battery and coil. The storage battery is used independently for ignition, and consists of three cells providing a current of 6 volts. This same system is used on all three models and is independent of the lighting and starting. The remainder of the electrical equipment is used for the lighting system. It consists of the Adlake dynamo, battery and regulator. The dynamo operates when the motor has reached a certain speed and supplies the current for the lights at that time. The battery takes care of the lights while the dynamo is not in operation. The regulator maintains a constant voltage and protects the lights and filaments. This system is protected from the effects of overload by a fuse system so arranged that they may be easily reached on the removal of a cover plate. The electric horn is also protected by a 10-ampere fuse.

New Carbureter Used

Among the innovations for the season of 1913 is the carbureter used on the little and big six-cylinder cars. This carbureter is of the eccentric float type and is heated by either hot air or hot water. The air valve of this carbureter is distinctive. It is provided with two springs, a smaller and stiffer, of which operates only at comparatively high engine speeds. At lower speed the amount of opening is controlled by the larger and weaker spring.

Oiling is accomplished by combination of the force feed and splash systems. The crankcase is made in two parts, the lower forming the oil reservoir and containing the troughs necessary to the splash, and the upper, which is composed of manganese bronze, carrying and supporting the crankshaft and camshaft bearings. The oil capacities for the models M, R and L are 24, 34, and 24, gallons, respectively. The main reservoir on the 38 and 48-horse-power motors is carried at the rear of the crankcase casting. From here it is lifted

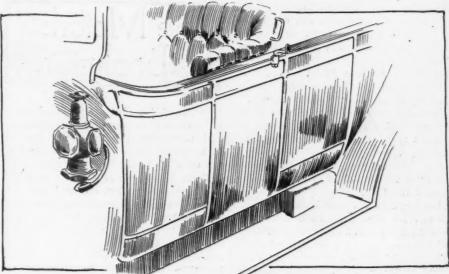
by the gear pump, driven off the inlet camshaft to a series of leads through the bronze part of the crankcase to each main bearing. The leads are cored through the centers of the webb or bridge, carrying the main crankshaft bearing. A hole drilled in the main bearing bushing registers during a portion of each revolution with the opening at the end of the oil lead. During this time oil is forced under the pressure of the pump, against the centrifugal force at this point, and is forced to enter the drilled crankshaft. Following the drilled duct through the crankshaft the oil is led to the lower connecting rod bearings and supplies these copiously with lubricant. Excess oil drains to the splash troughs located below each cylinder and keeps these constantly filled. The output of the oiler, between 100 and 1,000 revolutions per minute, increases directly as the speed of rotation. The output of the pump is such that it will at all times furnish a greater supply of oil than is needed, so that there will be an overflow from the splash troughs back to the reservoir in the crankcase. In order to prevent any bad effects which might

occur from recirculating the oil, wire gauze screens are placed between the reservoir and the circulating oil pump. Electric Starting and Lighting

The starting system is of Locomobile design, consisting of a separate motor, operating in conjunction with the Adlake electric generator lighting system. The motor cut shows the old acetylene starter.

Forty-three hardened saw steel disks are used in the clutch, which is of the conventional multiple disk type, housed within the flywheel. The clutch on the fourcylinder model is a leather-faced cone. The multiple disks on the two six-cylinder. cars run in a bath of engine oil and kerosene in equal parts. The driven member of the clutch is supported upon a double row of ball-bearings at the motor end and upon a single large ball-bearing at the other end. A feature of the clutch is the fact that it can be removed from the car without interfering with any other member and any repairs necessary can be made in a correspondingly short time and hence with less expense.

Between the clutch and the gearset is a universal joint. The gearset, which is



CONTINUOUS GUNWHALE AND NOVEL LAMP DESIGN ON NEW LOCOMOBILE

standard for the Locomobile line, has four forward speeds and reverse. The backlash on these gears is limited to .001 inch and the grinding work is done to limits of .00025. This gives a silent and long-wearing gear. Ball-bearings are used throughout and the lubricant to be used is a light gear compound. The capacity of the gearset is 20½ pounds of grease.

A chrome-nickel steel propeller shaft transmits the power to the rear axle. At each end there is a universal joint. The shaft is not enclosed in a torque tube, but there is a deep pressed steel strut, as shown at the head of this description, which is bolted rigidly to the rear axle and flexibly to a cross member of the frame. To lighten it without materially cutting down its strength or rigidity, the web of the channel is left open, as shown in the illustration. Two radius rods take up the drive, allowing the rear springs to be free as far as the drive is concerned and leaving their only duty the easing of the suspension of the car.

Floating Rear Axle

The rear axle is bevel driven. Both the pinion and the gear are adjustable and changes can readily be made in the mesh of these two gears. It is of the floating type.

Both sets of brakes are carried on the rear wheels. All the braking stress is taken through the radius rods, none of it is felt by the torque rod or springs. The dimensions of the brakes are 14 inches diameter and 2 inches face for the expanding and 147-16 inches diameter and 3 inches face for the contracting. Both sets of brakes are lined with asbestos fabric. The brake adjustments are made by right and left-threaded nuts on the emergency brake and by wing nuts on the service brakes. An equalizing bar is placed across the frame.

The frame is a pressed steel channel bar, 4.5 inches in depth and with a flange ranging between 1.5 and 3 inches in width. The bar is pressed from 3-16-inch stock.

Semi-elliptic springs are used in front and three-quarters elliptics in the rear. The front axle is of I-beam section, with a drop at the center. The spring pads are integral with the upper flange. This axle is drop-forged from a nickel steel bar. A heavy dowel pin passes through the center of the spring and into the front axle to stiffen it against side motion.

Twelve-spoke wood artillery wheels are used throughout. The tire sizes differ for front and rear on the big six and for the three models are as follows:

 Model
 Front
 Rear

 M
 36x4.5 inches
 37x5 inches

 R
 36x4.5 inches
 36x4.5 inches

 L
 34x4.5 inches
 34x4.5 inches

 These wheels are all fitted with quick

These wheels are all fitted with quick detachable, demountable rims. Timken roller bearings are used for the front wheels. Roller bearings are also used on the stearing gear, which is of the worm and full gear type. The worm and gear are so arranged that six adjustments for wear are possible by removing the steering level and turning a hexagonal nut. This brings a new portion of the gear in mesh with the worm and takes up the lost motion which occurs after a long period of use. Both the worm and the gear are case-hardened and if properly lubricated should not require adjustment for a long time. The roller bearings upon which the steering mechanism is carried are adjustable and wear is not likely to occur at that point.

New Cowl Design

A refinement incorporated on the 1913 Locomobiles is the cast aluminum cowl which is made a unit with the dash by bolting it to the body sills. This silences body squeaks between the cowl and the dash. Between the body and the frame is a layer of woven cotton belting material, while the doors close against rubber blocks which silence their action and eliminate rattles. The drop-forged rear tire brackets are made a unit with the frame of the car, so that there is a great amount of extra strength in these parts and they are

not apt to shake loose. A refinement which may be mentioned is that the exhaust is carried out behind the car and is not allowed to escape beneath it. The muffler is very silent and is made up of a series of concentric, perforated tubes,

The 1913 cars are equipped with a single-cylinder air compressor, having a bore of 2½ inches, and a stroke of 2½ inches. It is mounted on an extension of the front end of the transmission countershaft, and driven by means of jaw clutches, which can be thrown in and out of engagement by a T-handle, located on the left side of the car and reached by opening a door in the running board side shield. By drawing handle outward about 3-16 of an inch, advancing one notch to the left in a serrated segment, releasing jaw clutches are interlocked, and pump is ready for use.

Power Tire Pump

Air is drawn into cylinder through holes drilled around same below radiating fins. Foreign matter is excluded by means of a removal screen. On the upper stroke of the piston the air is forced out of the cylinder by unseating a flat valve into a small tank placed at the right of the air compressor, and mounted in front of the transmission carrying channel. The purpose of this tank is to overcome the pulsation of the pump only, and not to act as a reservoir. By means of a two-way fitting air is drawn out of the tank through a delivery tube leading to a fitting which projects through the left side member of the frame adjacent to the Thandle mentioned above: One end of the tire hose is screwed on to this fitting when tires are to be inflated. The location of the two-way fitting, on the tank is such that any sediment or oil falls to the bottom of the tank, and is not drawn out through the delivery tube. With the motor running at normal speed the air compressor will inflate a 37 by 5-inch tire to 90 pounds pressure in about two minutes, it is said.

Clever Book on European Travel

FULL of piquant humor and unique description is the sketchy account by Louise Closser Hale and Walter Hale of their trips through the countries of western Europe and northern Africa. Altogether different from books in general on the subject of travel, "Motor Journeys," possesses a very individual charm while the practical side of such touring is handled from the viewpoint of repeated experience, and the subject covered logically. The volume is well illustrated. Net price \$2.00. Published by A. C. McClurg & Co., Chicago.

Guide Books of Ohio and Indiana

Two more motor guide books have come from the Scarborough press, covering Ohio and Indiana. They are uniform with the guide to Michigan motor roads which appeared earlier in the season at the instigation of the Wolverine Automobile Club of



Detroit, and, like that, are published under the auspices of motor clubs, the Automobile Club of Cincinnati being sponsor for the book on Ohio roads while the Hoosier Motor Club of Indianapolis is for that of Indiana. Each volume contains considerable route information, sectional maps on a good scale of the entire state and city maps; a hotel and garage directory and a brief abstract of the motor car laws of adjoining states. They are well indexed and are convenient in form and size, making them handy when touring entirely within the state. They may be had either from the clubs named or from the Scarborough Co., Indianapolis, Ind. Price \$1. Florida—A Winter Playground

A book containing much of interest to the motoring tourist, if Florida be within his touring radius, although not written especially for him, is "A Guide to Florida," by Harrison Rhoades and Mary Wolfe Dumont. Bits of the history and romance of this enchanting land of sunshine and flowers, something of its sports, its game laws, a chart of temperatures containing data covering a number of years, its rail and waterway facilities, a brief table of the most important motor car records made at Daytona beach since 1904, a list of hotels and boarding houses, women's clubs and a bibliography of the state are to be found in this handy volume, which also contains many half-tone illustrations and three folding maps. Dodd, Mead & Co., New York.

Peugeot's Three-Point Suspension

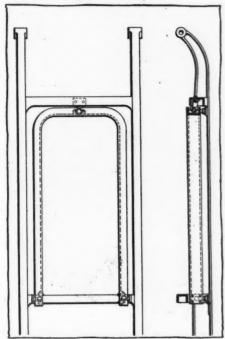


FIG. 1—THREE-POINT SUSPENDED SUB-FRAME USED ON PEUGEOT RACER

TRUE three-point suspension is found on the 175-horsepower Peugeot racers, recognized as the fastest European cars of the 1912 season. As already explained in a description of these racers published in the issue of this paper on September 26, the entire power plant—motor, clutch and gearset—is carried on an elongated U subframe. There is so little transverse rigidity in the subframe that it would be possible to make the two ends meet without any great effort. The necessary rigidity, however, is given by the motor base and the gearbox.

When dissembling, the entire plant with its subframe is taken out of the chassis; the different organs are put together on the subframe, and the rigid block thus formed is fitted into the frame. It is this entire block which is three-point suspended, there being a central trunnion attachment to a very substantial double transverse frame member at the front, and ball-and-socket attachments at each end of the frame, all three attachments being provided with lubricators. The entire power plant is so completely isolated from the twisting strains imparted to the frame members that it has not been found necessary to place a universal joint between motor and gearbox.

The valve-operating mechanism is a very

distinctive feature of these racers. There are four valves per cylinder inclined in the head at an angle of 45 degrees, the two camshafts being overhead and in independent aluminum housings, these housings being secured on long study projecting from the cylinder heads.

A complete camshaft with its housing and pinion is shown in Fig. 2. Each camshaft is cut integral with its eight cams, each cam operating within an eccentric shown in Fig. 3. One of these eccentrics is for the intake, the other for the exhaust. It will be noticed that this piece of mechanism comprises the valve pushrod, with an adjustable head, and in the same plane a stem receiving the light coil spring to assist the return of the push rod. In Fig. 4 a diagram is given of the camshaft within the eccentric.

It will be noticed that the roller is set in the face of the cam itself, and that the entire mechanism is retained within the camshaft housing. Thus, the entire camshaft can be lifted away by removing the holding-down nuts without disturbing the timing. The adjustable heads of the pushrods serve in a certain measure to vary the timing of the valves. With a cylinder bore of 4.3 inches and a stroke of 7.8 inches, the diameter of the valves is 2.36 inches, with a lift of .43 inches. Each camshaft is operated by a vertical spindle and bevel gearing at the front end of the motor. A completely hemispheric combustion chamber is formed, with the spark plug in the center of the head.

The form of the chamber is such that there is practically no danger of a broken valve falling onto the piston, unless, indeed, the break occurred practically flush with the head. Light BND steel pistons are employed with two rings to each. The average tolerance of the pistons is 4/10 millimeter; the diameter varies throughout the length, being greater at the base than at the head.

Lubrication of the motor is under high pressure throughout. Figures cannot be revealed. The lower portion of the crank-chamber has three vertical divisions forming four independent chambers, with a common oil sump, the base of which is ribbed. In the center of each of these four chambers is an opening communicating with the sump below. All the oil leads are internal and consist of steel tubes brazed in position in the crankchamber; they lead the oil direct to the five main bearings, then through the bored

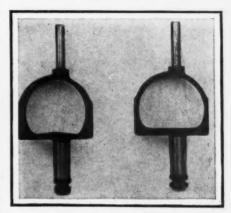


FIG. 3-VALVE LIFTERS USED ON PEUGEOT

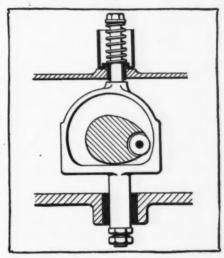


FIG. 4—DIAGRAM OF VALVE-OPERATING MECHANISM

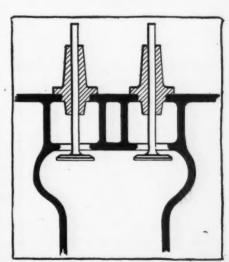
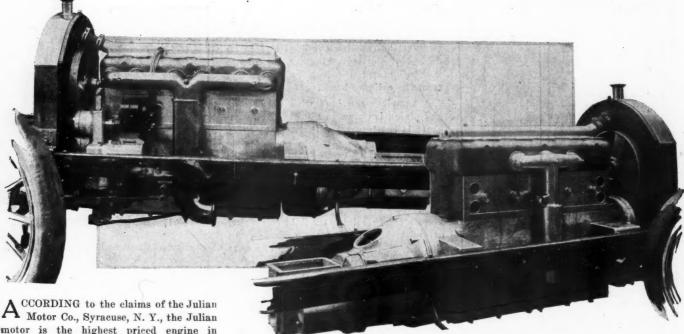


FIG. 5—FORM OF COMBUSTION CHAMBER, PREVENTING BROKEN VALVE FALLING ON PISTON

FIG. 2-COMPLETE CAMSHAFT AND HOUSING

crankshaft to the connecting rod ends and up the connecting rods to the wrist pins. There is only one joint in the entire system, this being the cone seating of the pump. Leakage therefore is impossible.

Julian Motor, a Product of Refinement



INLET AND EXHAUST SIDES OF NEW JULIAN MOTOR

motor is the highest priced engine in America. Illustrated herewith is the large six-cylinder model which is typical of Julian construction. The other two motors have been brought out since the introduction of this motor. They are a four of the same general dimensions as the large six, and a 3% by 6-inch six. These motors have followed the same general lines as laid down by the parent model which was designed with the aim of producing a motor complete in each particular for use in motor cars of the highest type, wherein expense is put practically out of consideration, and to conform to the best ideals of accessibility. simplicity, and flexibility. In no particular has accessibility been sacrificed to simplicity, for the motor was designed especially for the use of private owners who desire to operate their own cars.

Only Two Bolt Sizes

Among the features that are especially emphasized is the fact that in the entire power plant, but two sizes of bolts and nuts are used, so that two wrenches suffice for all repairs and adjustments. All parts have been so disposed about the assembly as to be available for instant access, and yet the lines of the motor are the extreme of simplicity. An exceptionally long stroke is also featured that should provide reserve power far in excess of what is ordinarily to be expected of a motor of its dimensions. The motor for this reason, although of six cylinders and 100 horsepower, is extremely compact, and will consume no excess of space in the chassis.

Another feature of great importance is the light weight of the reciprocating parts, and of the motor as a whole. Especial attention has been paid to this consideration in an exceptional degree of detail refinement. To attempt to enumerate all of the notable features would be to describe the motor, for very little attention has been paid to orthodox practices. The special features, therefore, will be brought out as they occur is the ensuing description:

The design is essentially of the unit type, as the cylinders, inlet manifold, valve housing and water passages have been cast integral. The crankcase, flywheelhousing, support arms, mud-pan, and several additional features are all contained in a single aluminum casting. There are six cylinders, of the T-head type, with exceptionally large valves. The bore is 41/2 inches, and the stroke is 7 inches. The valves are 31/16 inches in diameter, with a lift of %-inch. The bevel of the valve seats is much flatter than is usual, being 30 degrees from horizontal. The valve stems are tubular, to facilitate cooling and to make for lightness. They are of carbon steel, 1/2 inch in diameter, and electrically welded to the nickel steel heads. They are disposed in guides of unusual length, and bear on square pushrods. These pushrods are, like the stems, hollow, and are further lightened by holes that are drilled through each of their sides. They are of nickel steel, hardened and ground, and are secured in special guides of cast iron, which are ground, and the pushrods are lapped in by hand before assembling. A dash-pot is disposed at the end of the pushrods to prevent their jumping, and to thoroughly lubricate the tappets.

Convenient Camshaft Construction

The camshafts may be removed from the front of the motor without removing the bearings, which are of such diameter that the cams may slip through them. Compression relief is effected by a small compression relief handle at the front of the motor, which pulls the exhaust camshaft forward, raising all of the exhaust valves by means of small auxilliary cams. Both sets of valve-mechanisms are completely inclosed by flush plates, secured by four thumb-screws on studs, which pass completely through the motor from the inlet to the exhaust sides. The inlet valve inclosure serves a double purpose. Four screened holes admit air into this inclosure, where it is thoroughly warmed before passing to the air-jacketed carbureter. This pre-heating of the air does away with water-jacketing the carbureter, and all water pipes and connections are eliminated.

Light Reciprocating Parts

The pistons are extremely light, weighing with their wrist pins but 4% pounds apiece. This light weight is noticeable all through the motor, as the connecting rods weigh but 3 pounds, complete, with their bearings. The total weight of the reciprocating parts of each cylinder is thus but 7% pounds. The pistons are 61/2 inches in length, and the connecting rods 14 inches long and of I-beam section. All bearings are of unusually liberal size. The main bearings are 21/4 inches in diameter and four in number, while the camshafts are supported on seven bearings, 1% inches in diameter and 2 inches long, with the exception of the front bearings, which are 31/4 inches in length.

The crankcase is a single casting and incloses the flywheel, supports the motor from the frame, and has cast integral with it, two tanks for oil and gasoline, respectively, which are webbed to the rear

support arms, making a mud-pan unnecessary. The oil reservoir is holted to the bottom of the crankcase, and by its removal the pistons may be taken out without disturbing the cylinders or the main bearings, owing to the long stroke. The main bearings are secured to the crankcase by the same bolts that retain the cylinder block, so that no strain is borne by the crankcase, as it acts merely as a washer between the cylinders and the crank journals. The wrist pin, which is hollow, is secured to the piston in the usual manner, and the connecting rod is connected therewith in an original manner, adjustment being provided for without the use of a bearing cap, for the upper portion of the connecting rod is one piece, being slotted, and provided with a clamping bolt to take up wear.

Regulation of Oil Level

Lubrication is by the usual circulating splash system, but with several new features. Oil is carried in a sub-base, into which the oil in the splash troughs drains. Baffle plates are used to deflect the oil to the right side of the motor and to prevent it rushing to the rear on grades. The oil level is maintained by small drain holes at the front center of each dip-trough, which at low speeds maintains the level of oil below them, but which are of such small size that at high speeds the oil is fed faster than it is drained, so that its level is raised according to the speed of the motor. An additional oil supply is carried in a reservoir, cast integral with the crankcase, on the exhaust side of the motor, which holds 11/2 gallons, as a reserve supply. The oil is fed from this tank to the main reservoir by pressing a button. The oil pump, which is driven from a vertical shaft at the front of the engine, feeds the oil to the main bearings, overflowing into the splash pan. Oil enters each crank-pin at four points, for the purpose of lubricating the crank-pin bearing.

Corresponding to the auxiliary oil reservoir is a gasoline tank, located on the inlet side, and containing 1 gallon. Fuel is fed to this tank from the main supply by gravity only, where it is warmed befeeds to the jackets direct, without piping,

fore passing down to the carbureter. On ascending grades, the tank being forward of the motor, the feed is constant, and the 1-gallon capacity of the tank suffices to supply the carbureter with sufficient fuel to climb the longest grade, even though the grade be such that none is fed from the main supply to the auxiliary tank.

The same vertical shaft that drives the oil pump also is used to drive the water pump and magneto. The water pump and the return to the radiator is very short and direct. A six-bladed belt-driven fan serves to cool the radiator. The magneto is mounted in an especially interesting manner, which permits it to be removed by merely loosening a thumb-screw at the base, and turning the slots of the coupling to horizontal, when it may be slid out of its mounting. All cables from the magneto are encased in a conduit which conducts them from the magneto to an inclosed and invisible spark-plug chamber situated at the top of the motor.

No grease cups are used, and there is but one stuffing-box in the entire motor. This latter is the stuffing box at the rear of the crankshaft. The clutch housing is bolted direct to the flywheel housing, and to it in turn is bolted the gearset, making a rigid unit of the whole. The clutch, furnished is of the multiple-disk, dry-plate type, consisting of fourteen steel driving disks, and thirteen raybestos-faced disks. Either a three-speed or a four-speed gearset can be furnished, with or without controls. In the motor shown a three-cylinder air motor was installed for compressing air and starting. With the motor running this mechanism is used as an air-compressor, geared at 1 to 1, to the transmission shaft, while for starting it is turned into a compressed air engine, using the air which it has compressed and stored to turn the transmission shaft at a speed of 14 to 1. An electric motor generator will be installed in a similar manner for those who prefer it.

COAL AS A MOTOR FUEL

That coal is adapted to internal combustion engines as well as external combustion engines, is not generally conceded, as the mineral character of its body seems

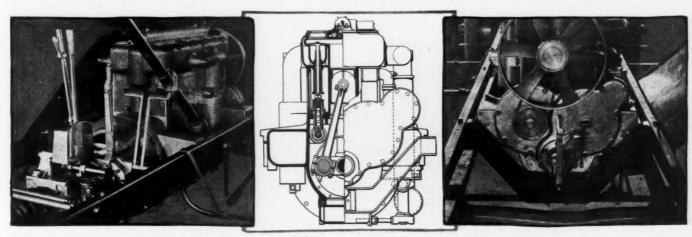
to preclude its introduction into the interior of the cylinder. But the fact remains that coal has a very high fuel value, that it is readily combustible, and that in the form of a gas is little affected by temperature, or other conditions that would naturally cause the condensation of liquid fuels.

However, it has been demonstrated by Deisel in his high-compression engine, that coal, injected into the cylinder at a compression above 500 pounds to the square inch, will produce power as well and more economically than will crude oil. The surprising fact is that the coal dust, while in granules no smaller than granulated sugar, did not score the cylinder, because of the practically complete combustion effected by the high-efficiency type of engine. But the Deisel engine is of great weight and bulk, and while coal is demonstrated by this engine to be adaptable to use in the internal combustion engine, it is not proven suitable for motor cars.

Low Coal Engine

A. M. Low, whose high-efficiency gasoline engine caused so much comment recently, has come forth with a coal engine which he claims is not only applicable to light road vehicles, but that may actually be used on a motor cycle. He already has produced two engines of different types, in the course of 7 years of experiment, each of which has developed power from coal as a fuel. The first experimental engine was of the horizontal stationary type, and developed 2 horsepower. The second was designed for 100 horsepower, although no attempt was officially made to attain the full power of the engine it developed above 40 horsepower.

Two more engines are in the course of construction, one 80 to 100 horsepower, of the horizontal stationary type, and another which will be either of the V-type or tandem, of four cylinders, to conform to the requirements of ordinary motor cars. The former is intended to compete with producer-gas engines, while the latter will be experimented with on motor cars. The Low principle of cooling the engine with the fuel before use is employed in the coal engines.



COMPOSITE SECTION AND FRONT AND REAR DETAILS OF JULIAN MOTOR

Development Briefs

Detroit Auto-Heater

THE Detroit Auto-Heater differs from other types of exhaust heaters in that the exhaust gases pass through the muffler whether they are used in the heater or are exhausted direct, and in the fact that light flexible steel tubing is used to conduct them from the exhaust line to the heaters instead of rigid pipe. No auxiliary muffler is needed with this device, as both the outlet and return to the exhaust valve are under the body.

The heater itself consists of two tubes, the outer of which is of wire mesh to protect the clothing from contact with the hot portions, yet permitting free radiation. The inner tube is of sheet steel, deeply corrugated, to give the maximum of radiation,

and is divided into two sections. Two fleible steel pipes connect it with the heater valve on the exhaust pipe. This valve is of the butterfly type, and in closed position allows a free passage of the gases from the motor direct to the muffler, but when open deflects the whole of the exhaust through the flexible tubing to the heater and back to the other side of the valve, from whence it es-

The ends of the heater are packed with asbestos and secured by an expansion bolt. This bolt on a part of its length is crimped, which permits it to expand and contract. Two or more of the heaters may be connected in a series, as shown in Fig. 3. This figure also shows a section of the heater valve, which is controlled by a regulator in the driver's compartment. Fig. 2 illustrates the exterior appearance and interior construction of the heater. It is the product of the Detroit Auto-Heater Co., Detroit.

Huston Multiple C-Spring

capes through the muffler.

Designed to take the place of the usual three-quarter elliptic spring, the Huston Multiple C-spring is offered by the Huston Multiple C-Spring Co., Philadelphia. The spring differs from the standard type in that the upper leaves of the top section do not end above the rear shackle, but extend over and beyond it in a large curve to a triple shackle below the main shackle. This shackle, in turn, is hung on approximately the middle leaf of the lower spring, so that the whole assembly

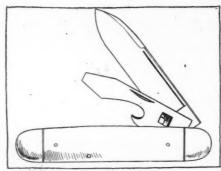


FIG. 1—EMPIRE KNIFE

constitutes in reality two springs. The ratio of the length of the lower leaves of the lower spring to the upper leaves of the top spring, and that of the upper leaves of the lower spring to the lower leaves of the top spring, differ greatly. This results in a compound action of the springs for which great claims are made by the manufacturers. The length of the spring is greater for a given space than that of the three-quarters elliptic type. The three extended leaves of the upper C-spring are separated and joined to a pivoted compensator which is designed to equalize the varying strain on the three leaves. They are separated throughout their length, being thus able to act without friction.

The two sets of springs acting at different periods of deflection, owing to the difference in the relative length of their components, as as checks upon

one another, so shock absorbers are said to be unnecessary. The compound action is furthermore said to be resilient throughout a greater period of deflection, and therefore to be as easy with a light as a heavy load.

Empire Knife

Fig. 1 shows a knife that is especially designed for the use of motorists. It is the produce of C. E. Miller,

New York, and combines in the proportions of an ordinary pocket knife the qualities of a knife, a screwdriver, a Prest-O-Lite tank key and a bottle opener in one. This knife is catalogued as No. 373 and has two blades. The largest of these is a plain knife blade, while the shorter is provided with a screwdriver point, a square socket near the joint that is designed to fit the cocks of a gas tank, and a hook on the side for the purpose of removing metal bottle tops.

Ford Radius Rod Socket

Designed for attachment at the rear end of the radius rod which extends back from the front axle on Ford cars, a ball socket has been produced by the Auto Parts Co., Providence, R. I. This socket is spring retained, and is for the purpose of automatically taking up wear, and for the prevention of rattling. This radius rod is provided with a ball end, and by removing the cap that is regularly supplied with this car, the special socket may be applied, it is said, in ten minutes. The socket is in the form of a spring plunger with a cup-shaped bearing, within a cylindrical casing.

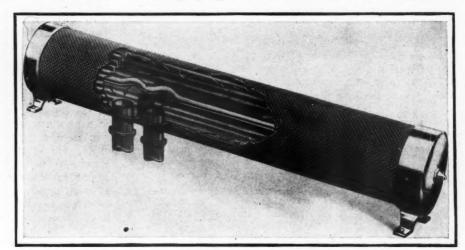


FIG. 2-DETROIT AUTO HEATER

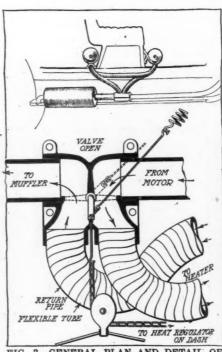
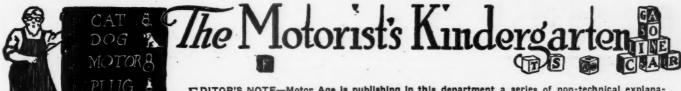


FIG. 3—GENERAL PLAN AND DETAIL OF VALVE



E DITOR'S NOTE—Motor Age is publishing in this department a series of non-technical explana tions of the various parts of motor cars for the benefit of the reader who knows nothing about them. The subjects will be dealt with in the most elementary manner, so that the series when completed will form a simple elucidation of the car. The first article appeared October 10, 1912

BOTH types of cells described before, the wet cell and the dry cell, are what are known as primary cells. This means that they are the original or primary sources of the electric current. There is, however, another kind of cell which is even more common in motor cars than the dry cell. This is the storage cell, several of which in combination make up the ordinary storage battery.

Storage cells are of the type called secondary cells because instead of being the primary source of current, like the dry cells, these will not give up any current unless electricity has first been put into them. Storage cells are simply a reservoir of electric current and have to be filled up when they are empty of electricity. We fill them up by connecting them with a power circuit, say the house lighting system. This is called charging, and when the cells are full they are said to be charged. Now with the storage battery charged, we can use the current from it to ignite the engine or light the lamps on the car in just the same way as if it was a dry battery, with the additional advantage that the storage battery will last longer and can be filled up again when it has run out. When we use the storage battery to supply current we say we are discharging it, and when it is empty it is said to be discharged. Then all we have to do is charge it again. It is known as the storage battery usually, but other names such as accumulator and secondary cell have been applied to it.

Storage Batteries

The storage battery, although appearing in many different forms, is in every case essentially the same. It usually consists of two lead plates or grids, as they are sometimes called, and one form of plate is shown in Fig. 28. The indentations on the plates are filled with oxide of lead in the case of the positive plate and with spongy or finely divided lead in the case of the negative plate. These plates are placed in a glass jar containing dilute sulphuric acid, which is sulphuric acid mixed with water. Usually a number of the positive plates and about the same number of negative plates are placed in the acid instead of just one of each. The battery with the plates in position resembles the one shown in Fig. 29. All the positive plates are then connected and all the negative plates connected and the two wires brought out to two separate terminals. The heavy lines indicate the connection of the different sets of plates. The places of fastening the ends of the connecting wires are known as lugs and marked + and - Fig. 30. As soon as these plates have been connected in the glass jar containing the sulphuric acid a chemical action is set up for a short time, which results in a film of sulphate of lead depositing on both plates and the chemical action then stops because lead sulplate covered the plates. No action takes place until an electric current is passed through the battery. The electric

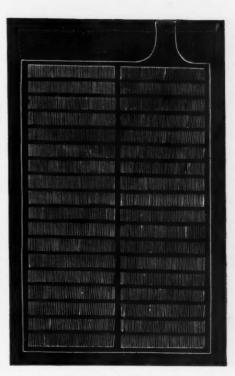


FIG. 28-A TYPE OF LEAD STORAGE CELL PLATE

current that is passed into the battery decomposes the sulphuric acid, or, as it is called, the electrolyte, into hydrogen gas and sulphur dioxide gas, which is sulphur and oxygen combined. When a sulphur match is burning sulphur dioxide is evolved and the pungent, penetrating odor is given off. The same kind of gas with the same odor is given off when the sulphuric acid is decomposed or broken up by the electric current. The hydrogen of the sulphuric acid passes to the negative plate or the plate with the spongy lead on it, and the sulphur dioxide goes to the positive plate. When the sulphur dioxide reaches the positive plate a chemical action takes place between it and the film of lead sulphate on the plate, and a little acid is formed. The hydrogen that went to the negative plate causes some more acid to be formed. Now the plates are clean again. By clean is meant that there is no sulphate of lead on them. But the sulphuric acid in the jar will act on the lead plates and this causes an electric current to flow just as in the primary cell. But as it is said the battery soon is exhausted, which means that the plates have become full of sulphate of lead and the chemical action has stopped. When the action ceases the battery is recharged and the same thing happens as before.

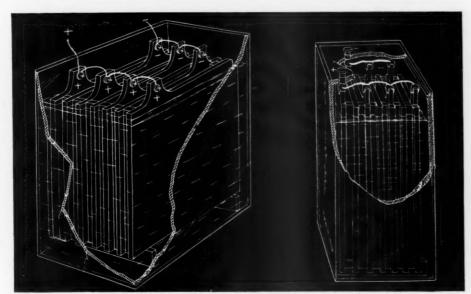


FIG. 29-ARRANGEMENT OF PLATES IN FIG. 30-SHOWING PLATES CONNECTED STORAGE BATTERY



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SEATTLE, Wash.—The Standard electric has appeared on Seattle's row represented by the Electric Sales Co.

New York-The W. G. Nagel Co., 28 St. Clair street, Toledo, O., has become a Bosch distributor.

Chicago-The Kelly-Springfield Motor Truck Co. announces the appointment of L. B. Garrison as manager of its Chicago branch.

Elkader, Ia.-Ray Bush and Louis Bushing, formerly employed with the Waterloo Auto and Supply Co. of Waterloo, has become interested in the Elkader Auto Co.

Washington, D. C .- The Airease Tire Filler Co. has removed its offices from the Southern building to the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Fourteenth street.

Seattle, Wash.-Henry E. Schmidt is named as the new manager of the Kelly-Springfield company, which has established a northwest factory branch at 511-13 East

Minneapolis, Minn.—Charles S. Marshall, who has taken the northwestern agency for the Racine tire, has opened a new office at 911 First avenue South, under the name of the Marshall Racine Rubber

Syracuse, N. Y .- Jones & Pimmat, manufacturers of accessories including tops, have completed their new factory, which is of cement block construction, cement floors and steam heat, with electric lights at each workman's bench.

Baltimore, Md.-The Heinz Motor Co. has been organized to handle a line of supplies and accessories. Bert Heinz is president and general manager. The firm will occupy the building at 533 North Howard street.

Columbus, O .- Frank Corbett has taken the whole distributing agency for the Detroiter for the entire state of Ohio. He has located a sales room and office at 246 North Fourth street. The local agency for the Detroiter in Columbus is taken by the Patterson Auto Garage Co.

Wilmington, Del.-The T. C. Bradford Auto Co. has taken possession of the Postles garage, adjoining its garage, at Tenth and Tatnall streets, and is occupying both, additional room having been required since the company inaugurated a taxicab service.

Montreal, Que.-The Matheson Automobile Co., of Canada, Ltd., with a full paid up capital of \$50,000, all common stock, has been formed. The company is Canadian distributor of the Matheson and Auburn. The sales organization is under charge of J. Scott Innes, late sales manager of the Schacht company, supervising the territory east of Manitoba, and G. C. Murray, late of the Buick company, the west.

St. Louis, Mo .- The new building of the Heimsch Automobile and Repair Co. of St. Louis is completed. It is located at 2914-16 North Grand avenue.

Chicago-H. C. Maibohm has disposed of his interests in the Motor Supplies Co. and is contemplating a 2 months' vacation trip to southern California and the Panama canal zone.

Cleveland, O .- H. R. Karnaghen has severed his connection with the Swinehart company as branch manager here, to assume a position with F. G. Carnahan & Co., Akron, O.

Columbus, O .- Levi R. Smith, head of the Hudson Sales Co., 241 North Fourth street, Columbus, died at the age of 56. He was one of the early dealers in the Buckeye capital.

Columbus, O .- The Electric Garage Co. is the name of a new concern which has taken over the business formerly operated by Harry Joseph at 160 South Champion avenue, Columbus. The new concern consists of Harry Joseph, E. Evans and H. Cavendish.

Philadelphia, Pa.-W. R. Larnes, local branch manager of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., 207 North Broad street, has been promoted to the new post of district supervisor over the six factory branches of the Goodyear company, located in Fuiladelphia, Pittsburgh, Scranton, Baltimore, Washington and Richmond, with his

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Keystone Motor Supply Co., capital stock, \$12,000; to manufacture and deal in motor cars; incorporators, R. V. Campbell, C. H. McDonald, E. H. Bied-

ringnas.
Fairchild, Wis.—Fairchild Motor Co., capital stock, \$2,500; incorporators, R. D. Shipman, C. C. Calkins, F. N. Ferguson, F. N. Stillman

Stillman.
Cleveland, O.—Anderson Rolled Gear Co., capital stock, \$100,000; to manufacture and deal in machinery and supplies; incorporators, F. A. Barker, D. H. Foster, W. G. Kirkbride, H. N. Anderson, G. H. Sensabaugh, R. M. Calfee.
Toledo, O.—Kero Carburetor Co., capital stock, \$25,000; to manufacture and deal in carbureters; incorporators, M. O. Rettig,

carbureters; incorporators, M. O. Rettig, W. J. Bruun, H. C. Lyon, M. Arndt, W. H.

Bugman, O.—Euclid Square Garage Co., capital stock, \$25,000; to operate storage rooms and conduct livery business; incorporators, C. K. Fauver, J. A. Harris, S. A. Pritchard, H. E. Downing, H. Allchin.

Cleveland, O.—Alco Motor Co., capital stock, \$10,000; to deal in motor cars; incorporators, M. Kluger, C. K. Halle, Frank Butler, A. J. Halle, E. L. Geisner.

Cleveland, O.—Forest City Garage Co., capital stock, \$5,000; to deal in motor cars and accessories; incorporators, C. Mertz, E. T. Mertz, James T. Harding, John W. Wald.

headquarters in this city. W. F. Powers will succeed Barnes as local branch manager.

Fostoria, O .- The Allen Motor Car Co. has been formed at Fostoria and will manufacture cars

Worcester, Mass.-H. W. Munyan, has been made manager of the branch of the Fisk Rubber Co. in this city.

Minneapolis, Minn.-W. R. Hoppin, formerly with the R. C. H. Corporation, has been placed in charge of the electrical division for the Fawkes Automobile Co., which carries the Ohio electric car, as well as a line of gas cars.

Indianapolis, Ind .- G. M. Bicknell, formerly foreman of the final test of the American Motors Co., has become district sales manager for the Carter Carbureter Co. of St. Louis.

Detroit, Mich .- The Crescent Air System Co. of Detroit, which manufactures the Crescent Air System for motor cars and boats, has moved to larger and more commodious quarters at 1199 Woodward avenue.

Portland, Ore.-H. R. Roberts, for some time past manager of the Portland Motor Car Co., has been made manager of the direct factory branch of the Winton in Portland. The branch will be located at Twenty-third and Connell road.

Baltimore, Md.-The Garrison Garage Co. has been organized and is building a new garage at Garrison and Duvall avenues. The garage will be 165 by 122 feet, will be one story high, fireproof and cost \$12,000.

Worcester, Mass.-The Maykel Automobile Co. has been formed in Worcester, with a capitalization of \$12,500 and the officers are Mitchel K. Maykel, president and treasurer and M. L. Katz and A. Massard, directors.

San Francisco, Cal.—The E. Stewart Automobile Co., northern California agents for the S. G. V., has moved into temporary quarters at the corner of Van Ness avenue and Fell street.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Lew W. Ellingham, Indiana secretary of state, has certified the Stewart-Warner Speedometer Corporation to do business in Indiana, where it has \$15,000 of its capital stock represented. The company is incorporated under the laws of Virginia, with \$11,000,000 capi-

Washington, D. C .- The Warren agency has been transferred from the Warren Motor Sales Co. to W. P. Barnhart & Co., who also handle the Standard electric. The Warren Motor Sales Co. has been dissolved and a new company formed known as the Washington Auto Service Co., with a salesroom and garage at Fourteenth and W

streets. The Hupmobile will be handled by the new company, of which Charles H. Kloppmeyer is general manager.

Newark, O.—The C. W. Thompson Mfg. Co. has been taken over by W. A. Tungs and will be rehabilitated and extended. The company makes a patent tire clamp.

Minneapolis, Minn.—The Colby Motor Co. has removed to its newly erected building at 1521 Hennepin avenue. The factory branch is in charge of H. A. Walch, A. M. Walch and L. P. Werges.

Columbus, O.—The Johnston Sales Co. of Columbus, recently incorporated to act as central Ohio distributor for the R. C. H. line, has opened a salesroom at 115 North Wall street. N. M. Johnson is general manager.

Depere, Wis.—The Depere Motor Car Co., owned by Joseph Hallett and Bertrand Miller, has been dissolved, Mr. Hallett continuing the business, also becoming manager of the Toonen & Berlamant Garage Co. on George street.

Columbus, O.—The Snyder Automobile Co., Columbus agent for the Abbott-Detroit, has moved to 162 North Fourth street. The old place on East Long street will be continued as a storage room and salesroom for second-hand cars.

Phillips, Wis.—The Hunt Auto Sales Co. has been organized here to operate a garage and agency. The company has the agency for considerable northern Wisconsin territory for the Ford, Little, Chevrolet, Herreshoff, Cutting and National.

Harrisburg, Pa.—Ground has been broken for the erection of a large motor car establishment on South Cameron street, Harrisburg, by the C. C. Crispen Motor Car Co. It will be of reinforced concrete, fireproof construction, and will cost \$20,000.

Anderson, Ind.—The Remy Electric Co. has discontinued its Indianapolis branch. Owing to the proximity of Anderson to Indianapolis it has been found more expedient to care for Remy users directly from the service department of the company located at the home office. E. L.

Jones, manager of the Indianapolis branch, continues with the company with headquarters at the home office.

Baltimore, Md.—The Baltimore branch of the Franklin Automobile Co. has been taken over by W. F. Kneip, who will conduct it on a dealership basis.

Gary, Ind.—The Dorman & Sykes Sales Co., recently organized in Gary, has opened up a salesroom at 528-530 Wash street, and has taken the agency for the Ford, Imperial and Oakland.

Detroit, Mich.—To succeed C. L. Marble, who recently resigned, Frank J. Sheen, manager of the car order department of the Abbot Motor Co. since its formation, has been made purchasing agent.

Salem, Wash.—E. H. Whiteside, R. C. H. agent in Salem, has enlarged his business by forming a partnership with James Sykes. They will handle the R. C. H. and Oakland under the name of the Valley Motor Co.

San Francisco, Cal.—John H. Eagal has resigned his position as district manager of the Oldsmobile and has accepted a position with the Consolidated Motor Car Co. of San Francisco, northern California distributor of the Pope-Hartford line. Eagle will have charge of the commercial department.

Syracuse, N. Y.—W. C. Blake has been made manager of the Syracuse Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. branch in place of H. H. Mundy, who has been made district manager in the Syracuse-Buffalo-Rochester territory, with headquarters in Buffalo. J. W. Hobbs, formerly district manager, now has charge of New York state, with headquarters in New York.

St. Louis, Mo.—The Ford Motor Co. is to do bigger things in this city than was at first planned. The original plan was to build an assembling plant. At this plant knocked-down cars were to be assembled and then shipped farther south and west. A parcel of ground was purchased at Forest Park boulevard and Sarah street. The announcement now is that the company has purchased an additional 150 feet

connecting with the original purchase. Plans are being drawn for an assembling plant.

Washington, D. C.—The Potomac Motor Car Co., agent for the Marmon and Woods electric, has taken possession of its new salesroom at 1226 Connecticut avenue.

Minneapolis, Minn.—J. Will Reynolds, member of the Chase truck organization, has been appointed district manager with headquarters in the Chase Motor Truck Sales Co. office, Minneapolis.

Louisville, Ky.—The Leyman Motor Co. is now in the garage and salesroom at Brook street and Broadway, formerly occupied by the Urwick Motor Car Co. The Leyman concern handles the Buick line.

Boston, Mass.—The Norwalk Motor Car Co. of New England was formed in Boston last week with Charles C. Smith as president and James W. Briggs as treasurer, both of whom are identified with an investment company in Boston. M. A. Beaudet is secretary. The capitalization is \$75,000.

Boston, Mass.—Joseph Donovan, who recently took over the Studebaker retail branch in Boston as an agency, has just formed a company to handle it capitalized at \$50,000, of which he is president and treasurer, with A. D. Adams and G. E. Donovan as directors with him, the latter being a brother.

Toledo, O.—R. S. Woodhull, formerly sales manager for the Columbus Buggy Co., has been appointed sales manager for the Ohio Electric Car Co., builder of the Ohio electric at Toledo. Mr. Woodhull succeeds Harry Doering, who recently became sales manager for the Gramm Motor Truck Co., at Lima, O.

Toledo, O.—The Bunnell Auto Sales Co. has moved from Erie street into new quarters at 1416 Madison avenue. The Abbott Motor Sales Co. also has moved into new quarters in the same building, 1420-22 Madison avenue. The Landman-Griffith is another Toledo concern which moved last week into new quarters at the corner of Fourteenth street and Madison avenue.

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W. Nevins has recently been appointed sales manager for Atwater Kent.

Syracuse Changes Dates—The dates of the Syracuse, N. Y., show have been changed to February 25 to March 1, instead of the later date as first selected.

Sioux City Show Doubtful—After having produced in succession three highly successful annual exhibitions, the dealers of Sioux City, Ia., are threatening to abandon the show idea for this year, even though dates have been assigned. The reason lies in the fact that no suitable hall is to be had.

Portland Dealers Incorporate—The Portland Automobile Dealers' Association of Maine has been made a corporation and it has a capitalization of \$10,000 with shares at par value of \$25. The officers elected comprise Fred A. Nickerson, president; Ernest F. Brewer, treasurer; Luther C. Gilson, secretary.

Klaxon as Factory Signal—The Critchley Machine Co., Worcester, Mass., has installed in its factory a Klaxon warning signal which serves as the factory whistle. Similar uses of the Klaxon have been found as adjunct to the fire alarm systems of a number of other manufacturing institutions. The Clark Thread Co., of Newark, N. J., has recently installed seventy-six Klaxons for this purpose, and the New York Belting and Packing Co., of Passaic, N. J., is using twelve in a similar way.

New Wheel Company—With \$130,000 capital stock the Seaton Wheel Co. has been incorporated at Nashville, Tenn. The company owns patents in the United States, Canada, Mexico and England on a motor wheel designed to do away with the use of pneumatic tires. John T. Landis is president of the company; S. S. Lord, vice-president; Granberry Jackson, treasurer; J. R. Boone, secretary. A plant is being equipped in Nashville for the manufacture of the wheels and arrangements are being made for the formation of a subsidiary company in Detroit.

Want Cheaper Aluminum - Agitation starting in New York to endeavor to reduce the duty on aluminum has reached Detroit, and, while no organized effort to bring about the reduction is under way in this city, officials of the larger concerns declare it would be a good thing for the trade. It is declared at the present time aluminum is being sold cheaper in Europe and Canada than in the United States. According to F. H. Diehle, purchasing agent of the Ford Motor Co., the abolishing of the duty would be a saving to them of 7 cents a pound on 3,000,000 pounds which they will use during the coming season. C. H. Booth, assistant general

manager of the Studebaker Corporation, declares it would mean a great saving to car makers if the tariff were reduced.

Guatemala Ruling—By a recent presidential decree all invoices for goods to enter Guatemala must be accompanied by the bill of lading. Failure to comply with this regulation served to delay two recent shipments of motor cars.

Name Changed—Because of conflict in names with that of the Michigan Motor Car Co., the Michigan Automobile Co., of Kalamazoo, Mich., has become the Fuller & Son Co., with a capital of \$100,000. The officers decided to reorganize and enlarge and change the name of the company. The concern will produce parts.

Stromberg Changes—Harry C. Tillotson, formerly a director and treasurer of the McDuffee Automobile Co. of Chicago, is now a director and secretary of the Stromberg Motor Devices Co. and in addition to the active duties of secretary he will have personal supervision of the sales. William L. O'Neill, formerly manager of the New York office, has been appointed manager of the Detroit office, and will handle the business in Michigan, Ohio and Canada. R. B. Whitman, formerly with the Bosch company, has been appointed manager of the New York branch, to succeed Mr. O'Neill.

Government Accepts Bids—After having the bids under consideration for nearly 2 months the general supply committee has awarded the following contracts for furnishing motor trucks to the government during the balance of the fiscal year: The White Co., Cleveland, O., 1,500-pound and 2,000-pound trucks, \$1,950; 3,000-pound trucks, \$2,750; Hupp Motor Car Co., Detroit, 1,000-pound trucks, \$950. It is expected nearly a dozen trucks will be purchased under this contract and at its expiration it is likely new bids will be invited. The trucks will be used in Washington.

Chance in Guatemala—President Estrada Cabera of Guatemala is taking much personal pride in the development of his plan to increase good roads in the southern republic. His idea is to get the land owners and wealthy members of the community to buy cars. Once that this is accomplished he feels certain that good roads will follow quickly. One of the first steps planned is the holding of a show. Owing to the expense of transporting cars from the United States and Europe there are many difficulties to be overcome in holding a show of this kind in Guatemala City, but it is thought it will be done even if a government subsidy has to be offered in order to induce manufacturers to send a show car. Efforts now are being made to get local agents to order cars on the chance that there will be a ready market for them after the show.

C. A. Swinehart Resigns—Announcement is made by C. A. Swinehart that he has resigned as sales manager of the Swinehart Tire and Rubber Co., to take effect February 1. He will continue in the tire business, but has not made any definite plans.

New Truck Association—The San Francisco Motor Truck Association is the name of an organization of motor truck men of that city. Officers were elected as follows: President, Charles B. Lewis; vice-president, C. E. Osborn; secretary-treasurer, Harold D. Knudsen.

New Pope Corporation—The changing of the Pope Mfg. Co. of Hartford, Conn., from a Connecticut to a Massachusetts corporation resulted in a new corporation being formed at Boston capitalized at \$6,500,000, comprising 65,000 shares at \$100 each. Albert L. Pope is president; George Pope, treasurer, and Robert L. Clapp, clerk.

Receiver for Dash Company—Edward W. Pierson has been appointed receiver for the Indianapolis Dash Co. of Indianapolis, and has given bond in the sum of \$25,000. The receiver was appointed on application made to the superior court by the John Reilly Co. and the E. H. McCormack & Sons Co., creditors in excess of \$4,000. Several creditors have brought proceedings in the federal court to have the company adjudged bankrupt. Included in the liabilities are notes for \$21,000 due Indianapolis banks.

Gasoline Prices High—The municipal authorities and other large users of gasoline in Indianapolis are finding it difficult to place satisfactory contracts for gasoline for this year. The best figure that is being quoted is ½ cent off of the market price. In the past it has been possible to make contracts at from 9½ cents to 10½ cents a gallon, with the benefit of any reduction below the contract price. Most of the large users are now paying from 14 to 15 cents a gallon for gasoline, while some of the smaller users are paying from 18 to 20 cents a gallon.

Tri-City Dealers' Election—At the annual meeting of the Tri-city Automobile Dealers' Association at Davenport, Ia., officers were elected as follows: President, J. W. Buck; vice-president, P. C. Petersen; secretary-treasurer, W. L. Mason; board of directors, J. W. Buck, P. C. Petersen and W. L. Mason, Davenport; A. J. Ostlund, Moline, and M. E. Strieter, Rock Island. G. F. Burmeister, Davenport, retiring president, was chosen general manager of the annual show, which will be held at the Coliseum in Davenport February 19, 20, 21 and 22.



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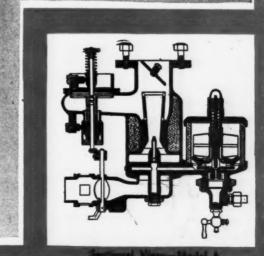
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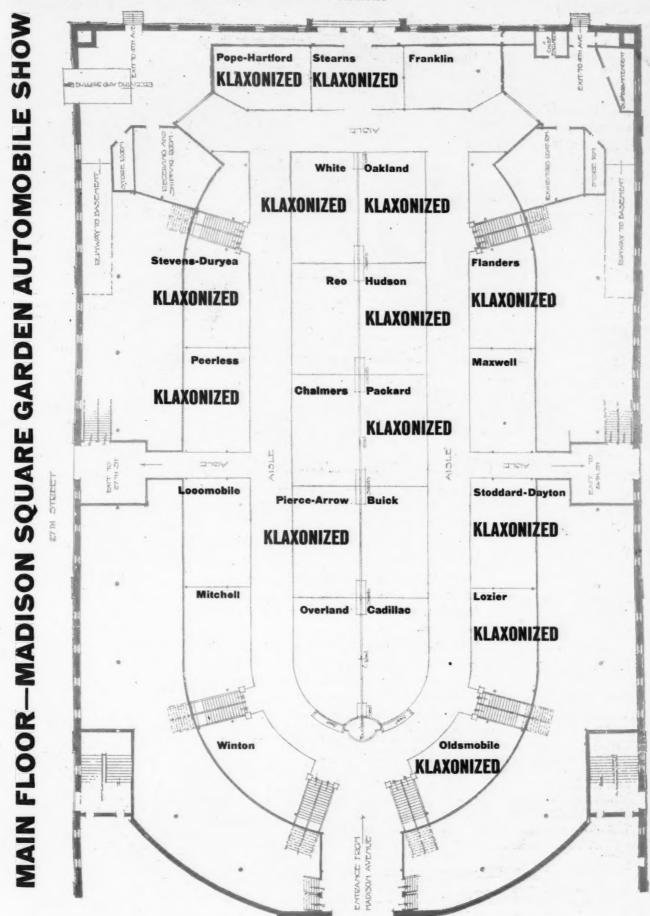
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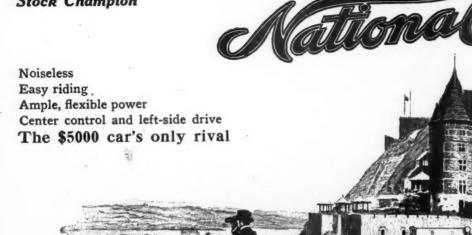
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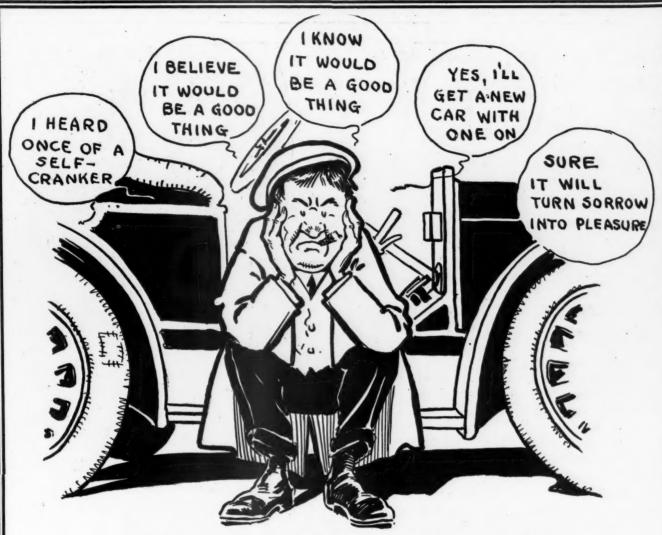
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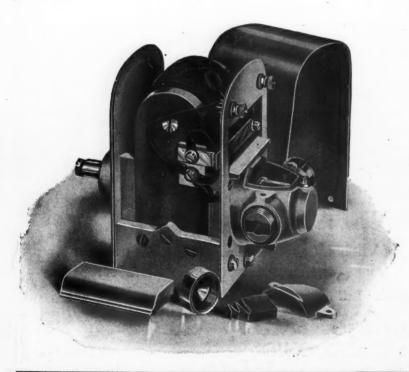
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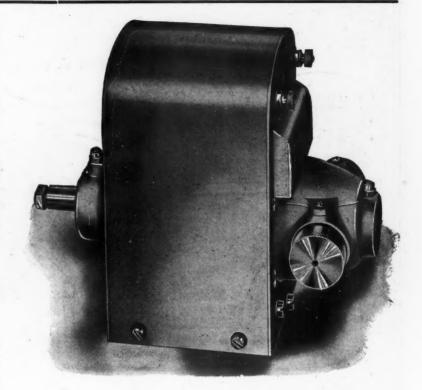
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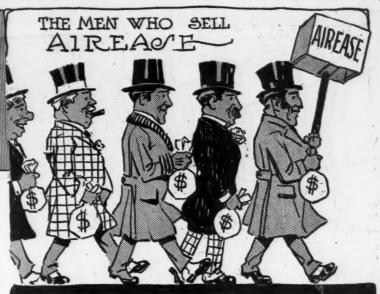
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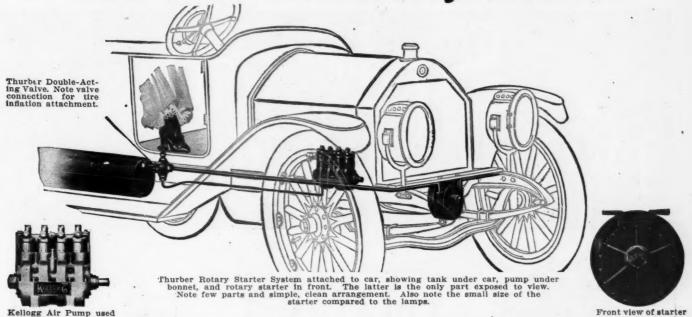
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The Thurber Rotary Starter



Let The Ladies Drive-We'll Do The Cranking

THE Thurber Rotary Starter is different in principle from any starter on the market. It is operated by compressed air, but in a different way from other air starters.

During the development of our patented starter, we have spared no expense and have developed it to its smallest detail. We have been in constant touch during the past two years of its development with the leading engineers of this country and now that the finished product is ready, they unanimously agree that of all the starters developed, ours is the simplest, most efficient, most powerful and most thoroughly practical.

Simple in Operation

The Thurber Rotary Starter is operated by compressed air furnished by the famous Kellogg Water Cooled High Pressure Pump, which makes possible the carrying at all times of 200 pounds of air pressure. The air is stored in a welded steel tank carried out of sight under the body of the car. To start the motor, the driver simply pushes down on the patented Double Acting Valve, as shown in the illustration above, and the air is delivered to the Rotary Starter which instantly spins the motor. As soon as the engine starts an automatic clutch disengages the starter and it remains idle until again used.

A Cold Weather Starter

The Thurber is the only starter that will actually spin the most powerful motor over 200 revolutions per minute—the natural way to start. In cold weather this is especially important, as the slow turning over of the ordinary starter is rarely sufficient to start the motor. The Thurber Rotary Starter, on account of the speed at which it cranks the motor, makes it possible to start as easily in cold as in warm weather and so gives perfect satisfaction the year round.

This rapid spinning also makes it as easy to start on the magneto as on the battery.

A valuable feature of the Thurber Rotary Starter is the tire inflation attachment which takes away the labor of pumping up flat tires. This alone is a very valuable addition to the convenience and comfort of a car.

Power Enough to Spin Any Motor

The Thurber Starter is an extremely powerful device and spins easily the most powerful or the "stiffest" motor. Perhaps the manufacturer of your big car could not find a starter powerful enough to operate the motor, and for this reason you are daily straining, with risk of broken bones, to start your car.

You need do this no longer, for the Thurber Starter will solve your problem quickly and economically. It has wonderful power with the use of very little air, and operates easily in cranking the most obstinate motor.

Insist on the manufacturer equipping your car with the Thurber System.

Manufacturers, Attention!

Cars are often condemned by users because of the failure of or annoyance given by some of the equipment. You should exercise the greatest care in selecting a starter which is easily understood—one which the owner can readily maintain without the assistance of a skilled mechanic.

The adoption of the Thurber Rotary Starter will give you a device at once simple and efficient, free from troublesome parts, powerful enough for any motor, economical to operate, and made to actually crank the motor rapidly—the quickest and surest way to start it.

The surest way to start it.

The surest way to the real satisfaction of your customers is by the use of the Thurber. It means not only present popularity for your cars, but greater future success for your business.

Can be Installed on Any Car

This feature alone, aside from other advantages, makes this the best proposition the manufacturer can adopt, because it enables him adequately to take care of the pressing demand of early customers for a starter. The manufacturer can easily satisfy owners of his earlier models, who wish to make their cars up-to-date in this respect by installing the Thurber Rotary Starter for them.

We shall be glad to submit our proposition and special designs to the engineers of automobile companies and invite correspondence with anyone so interested. See the Thurber Rotary Starter at the Chicago show and write for book giving detail description.

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The Atwater Kent Ignition Sustem

has been silently advertised from coast to coast by the best advertisement any product can have—the personal endorsement of over 100,000 satisfied motorists.

During the period of the magneto craze, we could have taken advantage of this fad and manufactured magnetos. Due to our facilities and prestige, we could undoubtedly have produced and sold large quantities of them. We knew, however, that the Atwater Kent System was fundamentally correct in principle and that it was better than any other ignition device. This opinion was also shared by thousands of our friends who discarded the magnetos on their new cars and installed the Atwater Kent, claiming they got much better results with much less trouble.

You can't equip your car with a more reliable ignition system than the Atwater Kent—no matter what amount of money you are willing or expect to pay for it. Why then take chances by investing in other equipment when by installing the Atwater Kent System you close every avenue to future regret?

Just a few of the many good features of the Atwater Kent System and its advantages over the magneto:

The spark is of constant heat quality irrespective of the speed of the engine, thereby enabling the engine to be run at a very much lower speed if desired.

The simplicity and accessibility of the different parts of the Uni-Sparker are much greater than in the case of the magneto.

The adjustment of the platinum contacts does not affect the timing of the spark. Easy adjustment to lengthen or shorten the spark, thereby insuring the maximum economy of battery current.

Low maintenance cost and repair expense. Will start engine on spark. Duplicate ignition system not necessary. Light weight. No magnets to become demagnetized. Unlimited range of spark advance or retard. Low initial cost.

In connection with the standard Type F System, we are furnishing a new model—Silent Type K with automatic spark advance and insulated primary circuit, especially designed for use in connection with lighting and starting equipment.

PRICES OF THE TYPE F SYSTEM

PRICES OF THE TYPE K SYSTEM

		Standard Coil	Kick Switch Coil	-, .	Standard Coil	Kick Switch Coil
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If you have an unsatisfactory magneto, or if your engine has no timer shaft, you can use the Atwater Kent System by means of a special "magneto gear mounting," the cost of which is \$5.00 in addition to the above prices.

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The springs on the Overland Model 69T equal those on \$1200 cars. They are of the highest grade, heat treated spring steel.

The front springs are semi-elliptic, 36 inches long and 13/4 inches wide.

The rear springs are three-quarter elliptic, 42 inches long and 13/4 inches wide—with scroll ends.

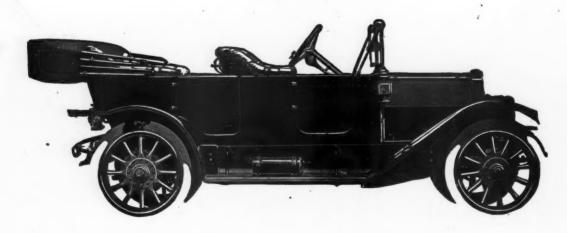
Model 69T springs each possess six sturdy leaves with steel bushing eyes. The shackles are drop-forgings; they are fitted with case-hardened bolts, working in special auto-friction bushings. The spring seats in the rear axle are left free to oscillate on their saddles, insuring great riding comfort.

Model 69T springs must finally endure a vibration test on a special testing machine with a capacity of 6,000 lbs.

We repeat again; \$1200 cars have no better springs than the Overland for \$985.

Write us for literature. Please address Dept. 46.

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KNOWN BY ITS 4 BIG FEATURES

Our magnificent new 1913 instrument is an example of highest development in the construction of a

Magnetic Speedometer

The magnetic principle is the only scientific principle of speedometer construction. It is—by far—the most costly construction. The magnetic principle—alone—permits the use of a frictionless indicating means and of low speed, non-vibrating drive.

THE NEW 1913

Stewart Speedometer

Has Four Splendid Features

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WeThrewItAway!

Our Old Centrifugal Type Speedometer

The first speedometer we made was of the centrifugal type—but long ago we cast it upon the scrap heap of the obsolete—

—because the governor of a centrifugal instrument must revolve at a high speed of over two thousand five hundred revolutions to the mile, causing vibration and bearing friction that no instrument can stand.

—because the centrifugal type will not indicate any speed under 7 miles an hour!

—because continued accuracy with a centrifugal type of speedometer is utterly impossible. It is necessary to multiply the movement of the indicating means sixteen times in order to get a movement of the pointer hand sufficient to permit the use of a scale large enough to be readable. Therefore, any error in accuracy is multiplied sixteen times!

—because our new and perfected type of MAGNETIC speedometer has rendered all types of centrifugal speedometers crude and obsolete! It has a big, sturdy 100,000-mile Season Register, operated by "direct drive" gears and controlled by "Geneva Stop" mechanism.

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It has the Grade Indicator with revolving dial mounted on polished bearings and operated by gravity. Shows the various percentages of grades from zero up to 30 degrees.

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The Delivery Car That Has "Made Good"



The Lippard-Stewart Model "P" 1500 lb. Delivery Car 30 Horsepower

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Sound Commercial Car Construction is the basis of the Lippard-Stewart's supremacy. It is purely a delivery vehicle. Designed and built a commercial vehicle from tires to top, from tailboard to head light. It represents the practical ideals of men who have made a careful study of transportation and delivery problems. That is why it fulfills the demands of every business man or company whose need is a prompt, efficient and economical delivery system. It has demonstrated in almost every instance that it will deliver more goods over a wider territory than is possible with horse and wagon. Its dependability is a proven fact. It does its work well in fair weather and foul and is ready for every emergency.

It Represents Economic Delivery not only because it will deliver more goods than a horse-drawn vehicle at less cost per package, but because it is low in first cost and economical in upkeep. It economizes in real estate. It eliminates the time, trouble and incidental expenses always demanded by live stock. It does away with uncertainty and gives you actual assurance instead. Last but not least, it actually pays for itself with the increased business it makes possible and the money that it saves.

Analysis of the Car Proves Its Serviceability—Its Superiority. Examine its perfect chassis—strong yet simple

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in construction—its frame built heavier and wider at the point of greatest stress. Note the 30-Horsepower Continental Motor. Consider the rugged cone clutch and the transmission strong enough for a 50 H. P. car. Observe the shaft drive, the differential, the simplicity of construction practiced throughout the entire building of the car—the easy get-at-ability of every important mechanical part even when the car is loaded. Look at the perfect spring suspension that assures easy riding and minimizes wear and tear. Then

Consider the Price of the Car—its sound dollar for dollar value. Compare it with any car apparently competing with it. Note how the Lippard-Stewart Car actually baffles competition. If you are a prospective purchaser, note the real worth of the car. If you are a dealer, form your own conclusions as to the car's value as a business investment—its ready salability and the quick turnover of capital it assures.

Note the Comprehensive Lippard-Stewart Line—the volume of sales it makes possible—a line that offers you a car to meet the specific demands of practically every firm and individual who need a delivery car regardless of their business—a line that knows no dull seasons and a car that practically sells itself and stays sold winter or summer.

Read These Special Features of Lippard-Stewart Construction: Continental 30 H. P. Motor, Eisemann Magneto, Brown-Lipe Selective Transmission, Cone Clutch, Full Floating Timken Rear Axle, Timken Roller Bearings throughout, Left Hand Drive, Pneumatic Tires, 35x4½ Front and Rear—full equipment of Lamps and Tools.

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One Look Tells Everything

The JEFFERY-DEWITTCO

Visible Spark Plug lays bare all ignition troubles

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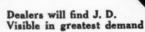
If the spark is seen jumping the gap, look for your trouble between the gap and sparking point.

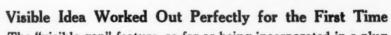
If there is no spark in the gap, your trouble is behind the plug—in magneto, or batteries, or coil, or wiring.

But for the "visible gap" it would take you many precious minutes—often hours—to locate the seat of trouble.

\$1.00 Buys this great new Spark Plug

Indicates in which way trouble lies.
Facilitates timing of engine.
Intensifies spark in cylinders.
Consumes only minimum current.
Gap adjustable—can be closed entirely.
Permits regulating spark for any cylinder.
By widening gap plug cleans itself.
Costs same as any good plug.—\$1.00





The "visible gap" feature, so far as being incorporated in a plug, has always seemed as far away as perpetual motion. The visible feature has been marketed in a separate device for years, but this is the only plug embodying the visible feature in a practical manner.

It is simple. Merely a hole in the porcelain and a spiral action to regulate length of the gap in the central electrode which carries the current.

The hole in no way lessens the strength of the plug, and the current in jumping the "visible gap" loses none of its efficiency. On the other hand it intensifies the spark at the gap in the cylinder.

Additional prestige is lent the J.-D. Visible Spark Plug by the fact that it is being introduced by the largest manufacturers of spark plugs in the world. We are exclusively manufacturers of spark plugs; we make millions of them each year.

The J. D. Spark Plug was a famous plug before it was improved by the visible feature. It combines finest workmanship, best materials and simplest designs.

Every part of this plug is made in our factory—even the porcelain being produced in our own potteries from clays and other ingredients imported from Europe.

This unequivocal guarantee goes with all our spark plugs:

"Your money back or a new plug if you are not satisfied."

If your dealer hasn't the J.-D. Visible yet, send your money direct to us for a set, SPECIFYING SIZE WANTED AND MAKE OF MOTOR, and we will ship them postpaid. Remember, the J.-D. Visible Plug is only \$1.00. Write today for our literature on ignition. It is free.

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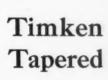






The Man in the Box

- ¶ An air of mystery pervades the carbonizing department of the Timken Plant. Smoke rises from rows of glowing furnaces. Red, white and green signal lights shine through the haze. 'Devil wagons' dive into lurid ovens after red hot pots of carbonized parts.
- ¶ And off in a corner, quietly watching and guiding it all sits the 'man in the box.'





Roller Bearing

- ¶ To the carbonizing room come all the cups. cones and Rollers for the Timken Bearing. Accurately made as they are, from the best of steels, by the finest automatic machinery, they are far from fit for service in the motor car.
- ¶ In this huge room the parts are carefully packed in iron pots with a mixture rich in carbon. Then heated in furnaces to just the right temperature for just the right length of time.
- ¶ Carbon from the black mixture penetrates the skins of the cups, cones and rollers so that, later, the surface of each part can be made glass-hard to resist wear while the core remains soft and elastic to withstand shocks.

Time-Tried Formulas

- ¶ The time in the furnace and the degree of heat, vary for each particular size of cup, of cone, of roller. The exact formula for each has been developed by years of experiment and study.
- ¶ The formulas have been proved right by minute records of results in service. Records that cover millions of Timken Bearings in hundreds of thousands of cars.

Must be Followed

- \P It's the duty of the man in the box to know that the formula for every size of every part is followed exactly by the furnace men. And this is how he knows it:
- Wires lead from an electric resistance thermometer in each furnace to a switchboard in his box. Every quarter hour he connects
- each oven with the pyrometer before him, reads and records its heat and compares it with the formula for the size of the part that particular furnace contains.
- ¶ Other wires from the box carry order signals back to each oven. Red, white and green lights tell the furnace man to slightly raise or lower the heat or to hold it as it is.

Correct Design Won First

- If Years ago no such painstaking care was used in making the Timken Bearing. Yet even in those days its unique design was right—its principles have never been changed. They have proved right in the crucible of service.
- ¶ But years of striving towards perfection in every process of manufacture have added to rightness of design a very real though a less important value.

The Timken Roller Bearing Company

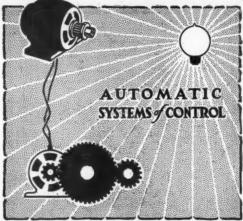
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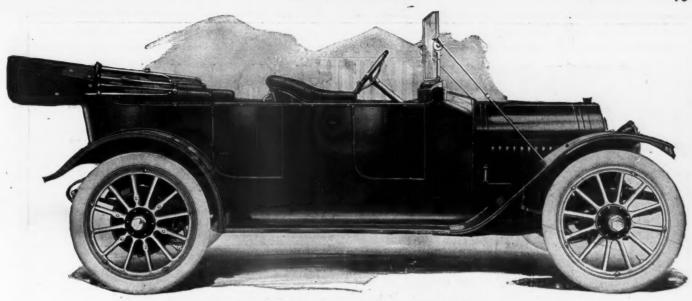
No guess work about the WARD LEON-ARD SYSTEM. Its electrically operated switch controls the amperage with absolute regularity, regardless of the speed of the automobile.

Engineers the world over have endorsed the WARD LEONARD design. Satisfied users in all parts of the earth testify to the practical perfection and the unerring operation of the finished WARD LEONARD product.

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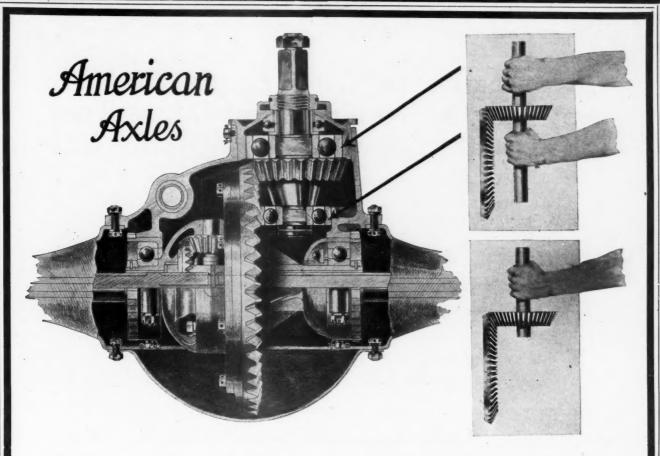
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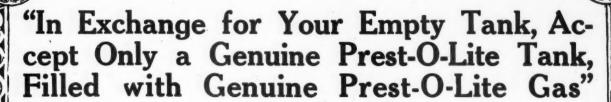
American Axle equipment instantly establishes in your mind a sense of highest class: it supplies a basis by which you can unerringly judge a car.

The American line includes, besides our bevel gear, the Lanchester-Daimler Worm Drive, to which we have exclusive rights as axle manufacturers in America.

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You know that no imitator of Prest-O-Lite has ever successfully imitated Prest-O-Lite Service.

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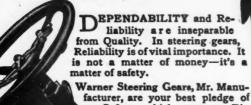
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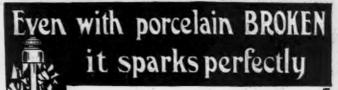
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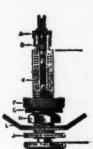
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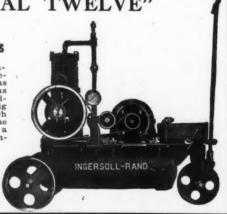
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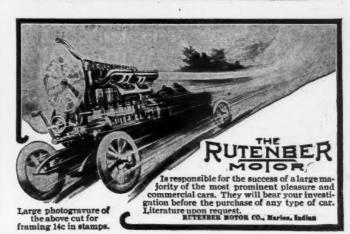
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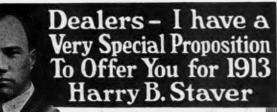


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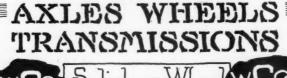
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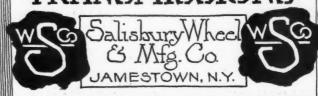


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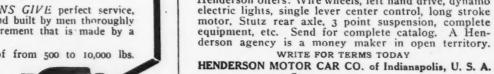
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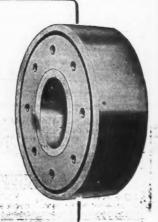
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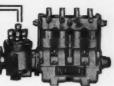
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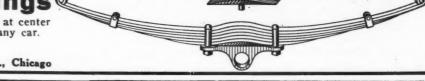
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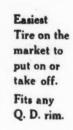
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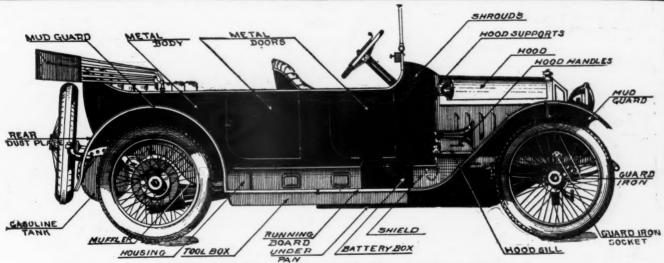
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